# U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-02957-RC

# JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF

TRANSPORTATION Assigned to: Judge Rudolph Contreras Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

### <u>Plaintiff</u>

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.

Date Filed: 10/04/2023 Date Terminated: 07/18/2024 Jury Demand: None Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

## represented by Jason Blaine Aldrich

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#### **Defendant**

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### represented by Kartik Narayan Venguswamy DOJ–USAO 601 D Street NW Washington, DC 20579 (202) 252–1790 Email: <u>kartik.venguswamy@usdoj.gov</u> *LEAD ATTORNEY ATTORNEY TO BE NOTICED*

Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/04/2023	1	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC–10399013) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Summons US Attorney for DC, # 3 Summons US Attorney General, # 4 Summons Transportation)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 10/04/2023)
10/04/2023	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 10/04/2023)
10/06/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (zljn) (Entered: 10/06/2023)
10/06/2023	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zljn) (Entered: 10/06/2023)
10/25/2023	4	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 10/12/2023. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 11/11/2023.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 10/25/2023., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION served on 10/24/2023 (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Aldrich, Jason) (Entered: 10/25/2023)

<u>5</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 11/13/2023)
	MINUTE ORDER granting <u>5</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time: It is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall respond to the complaint on or before December 13, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 11/14/2023. (lcrc2) (Entered: 11/14/2023)
<u>6</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 12/14/2023)
	MINUTE ORDER granting <u>6</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. It is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall respond to the complaint on or before December 14, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/14/2023. (lcrc2) (Entered: 12/14/2023)
7	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.(Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 12/14/2023)
	MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and submit a proposed briefing schedule (not a LCvR 16.3 report) within 3 weeks. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/15/2023. (lcrc2) (Entered: 12/15/2023)
<u>8</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Joint Status Report</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 12/19/2023)
	MINUTE ORDER granting <u>8</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint status report on or before January 15, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/20/2023. (lcrc2) (Entered: 12/20/2023)
2	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 01/17/2024)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>9</u> the parties' Joint Status Report it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before March 18, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 01/18/2024. (lcrc2) (Entered: 01/18/2024)
<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 03/18/2024)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>10</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before May 17, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 03/18/2024. (lcrc2) (Entered: 03/18/2024)
<u>11</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 05/17/2024)
	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>11</u> Defendant's Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit a joint status report on or before July 17, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 05/19/2024. (lcrc2) (Entered: 05/19/2024)
<u>12</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC (Aldrich, Jason) (Entered: 07/17/2024)
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