## **U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC)** CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-03346-CKK

WHITE v. U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

Assigned to: Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/08/2023 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

## **Plaintiff**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/08/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC–10480179) filed by KENNETH WHITE. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit, # 2 Civil Cover Sheet, # 3 Summons Summons CBP, # 4 Summons Summons USA DC, # 5 Summons Summons AG)(White, Kenneth) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/08/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly. (zljn) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/08/2023	2	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # 1 Notice and Consent)(zljn) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/13/2023	<u>3</u>	ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE COLLEEN KOLLAR–KOTELLY. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on 11/13/23. (DM) (Entered: 11/13/2023)
12/12/2023	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kaitlin Kerry Eckrote on behalf of U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 12/12/2023)
12/12/2023	<u>5</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 12/12/2023)
12/13/2023		MINUTE ORDER: The Court is in receipt of Defendant's <u>5</u> Motion for Extension of Time to Respond. Defendant requests for a 30–day extension of time to respond to the complaint, setting the new deadline for January 17, 2024. Plaintiff consents to only a

		7–day extension of time. However, Defendant explains that the U.S. Attorney's Office has experienced a significant increase in case volume, which has overwhelmed the Office's "already swollen civil intake, triage, and assignment queues," and "delay[s] certain case assignments to Assistant U.S. Attorneys and initial coordination efforts with agency clients, including in this case." As a result, while Plaintiff does not consent to a 30–day extension, counsel for Defendant nonetheless "requires a reasonable period of additional time to discuss this matter with the relevant agency," and explore whether the matter can be resolved without further litigation. Accordingly, upon good cause shown, the Court <b>GRANTS</b> Defendant's <u>5</u> Motion for Extension of Time to Respond. Defendant shall file an answer or otherwise respond to the complaint on or before <b>January 17, 2024</b> . Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on December 13, 2023. (lcckk1) (Entered: 12/13/2023)
12/13/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant shall file an answer or otherwise respond to the complaint on or before 1/17/2024. (dot) (Entered: 12/13/2023)
01/17/2024	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION.(Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 01/17/2024)
02/21/2024	7	ORDER directing the parties to file a joint status report. See Order for more details. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on 2/21/2024. (lcckk1) (Entered: 02/21/2024)
02/21/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Meet & Confer Statement due by 4/5/2024. (dot) (Entered: 02/28/2024)
04/05/2024	<u>8</u>	MEET AND CONFER STATEMENT. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 04/05/2024)
04/08/2024		MINUTE ORDER: The Court is in receipt of the parties' <u>8</u> Joint Status Report. Therein, Defendant explains that it completed its search and produced its "first interim response" of responsive records to Plaintiff. The parties propose deferring dispositive motions briefing until "after Plaintiff has received and reviewed [Defendant's] productions and the parties have had an opportunity to meet and confer[.]" The Court directs the parties to file a joint status report on or before <b>June 4, 2024</b> , and, if necessary, every sixty days thereafter. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on 4/8/2024. (lcckk1) (Entered: 04/08/2024)
04/08/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 6/4/2024, and, if necessary, every sixty days thereafter. (dot) (Entered: 04/09/2024)
06/04/2024	9	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 06/04/2024)
08/05/2024	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Eckrote, Kaitlin) (Entered: 08/05/2024)