U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-03348-TNM

O'CONNOR v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE et al

Assigned to: Judge Trevor N. McFadden

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	1	COMPLAINT against FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10480668) filed by MATT O'CONNOR. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1-3, # 2 Civil Cover Sheet, # 3 Summons)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/08/2023	2	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of MATT O'CONNOR (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 11/08/2023)

11/08/2023	<u>3</u>	SEALED DOCUMENT filed by MATT O'CONNOR(This document is SEALED and only available to authorized persons.)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/08/2023	4	NOTICE of Appearance by Merrick Jason Wayne on behalf of MATT O'CONNOR (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/08/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Trevor N. McFadden. (zljn) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/08/2023	<u>5</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # 1 Notice and Consent)(zljn) (Entered: 11/08/2023)
11/08/2023	<u>6</u>	STANDING ORDER Establishing Procedures for Cases Before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. The parties are hereby ORDERED to read and comply with the directives in the attached standing order. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 11/8/2023. (Entered: 11/08/2023)
12/21/2023	7	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 12/7/2023 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 12/21/2023)
12/21/2023	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION served on 12/6/2023 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 12/21/2023)
12/21/2023	9	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 12/7/2023. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 12/21/2023)
12/21/2023	<u>10</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 11/28/2023. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 12/28/2023. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 12/21/2023)
12/22/2023	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Brian J. Levy on behalf of FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Levy, Brian) (Entered: 12/22/2023)
12/22/2023	<u>12</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 12/22/2023)
12/28/2023		MINUTE ORDER: The Court ORDERS that the <u>12</u> Motion for Extension of Time is GRANTED. Defendants shall file their responsive pleading on or before January 11, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 12/27/2023. (lctnm3) (Entered: 12/28/2023)
01/11/2024	<u>13</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 01/11/2024)
01/16/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court are a Complaint and Answer in this FOIA case. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties meet and confer and that they then file a Joint Status Report proposing a schedule for proceeding in this matter. That JSR should address, among other things, the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff, whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case, whether a <i>Vaughn</i> index will be required in this case, and a briefing schedule for dispositive motions, if required. The parties shall file the JSR on or before February 16, 2024. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 1/16/2024. (lctnm3) (Entered: 01/16/2024)
02/16/2024	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 02/16/2024)
02/16/2024		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the 14 Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS the parties to submit a further JSR on or before April 16, 2024, updating the Court on the status of this case. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 2/16/2024. (lctnm3) (Entered: 02/16/2024)

04/16/2024	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 04/16/2024)
04/17/2024		MINUTE ORDER: The Court ORDERS the parties to submit a further Joint Status Report on or before June 17, 2024 and every 60 days thereafter. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 4/17/2024. (lctnm3) (Entered: 04/17/2024)
06/17/2024	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Levy, Brian) (Entered: 06/17/2024)
08/16/2024	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Levy, Brian) (Entered: 08/16/2024)