

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-00632-TNM**

NATIONAL IRANIAN AMERICAN COUNCIL v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Assigned to: Judge Trevor N. McFadden
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/05/2024
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/05/2024	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT : <i>Violation of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)</i> against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Filing fee \$ 405 receipt number ADCDC-10734336) filed by NATIONAL IRANIAN AMERICAN COUNCIL. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A Response to Electronic FOIA Request, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B PAL FOIA CHECK STATUS PAGE, # <u>3</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>4</u> Summons)(Morrison, Curtis) (Entered: 03/05/2024)
03/06/2024		Case Assigned to Judge Trevor N. McFadden. (znmw) (Entered: 03/06/2024)
03/06/2024	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(znmw) (Entered: 03/06/2024)
03/06/2024	<u>3</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 03/06/2024. (lctnm1) (Entered: 03/06/2024)
03/22/2024	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 3/6/2024. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 4/5/2024. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A-C)(Morrison, Curtis) (Entered: 03/22/2024)
03/22/2024	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 3/14/2024. RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 3/11/2024. (See docket entry <u>4</u> to view document). (mg) (Entered: 03/22/2024)
04/05/2024	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Joseph F. Carilli, Jr on behalf of All Defendants (Carilli, Joseph) (Entered: 04/05/2024)
04/05/2024	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Carilli, Joseph) (Entered: 04/05/2024)
04/08/2024		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 Vaughn 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 May 6, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 04/08/2024. (lctnm1) (Entered: 04/08/2024)
05/06/2024	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Carilli, Joseph) (Entered: 05/06/2024)
05/06/2024		MINUTE ORDER: The parties shall file another Joint Status Report by June 6, 2024, advising the Court of the status of this matter and recommending further proceedings. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 05/06/2024. (lctnm1) (Entered: 05/06/2024)
06/06/2024	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Carilli, Joseph) (Entered: 06/06/2024)
06/06/2024		MINUTE ORDER: The parties shall file rolling Joint Status Reports every 60 days apprising the Court of the status of their discovery progress. The first report is due on August 6, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 06/06/2024. (lctnm1) (Entered: 06/06/2024)
07/17/2024	<u>10</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Zhao Guo on behalf of All Plaintiffs (Guo, Zhao) (Entered: 07/17/2024)
08/01/2024	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Carilli, Joseph) (Entered: 08/01/2024)