

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-00841-APM**

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION FOUNDATION v.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Assigned to: Judge Amit P. Mehta
Case in other court: California Northern, 3:23-cv-05248
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/22/2024
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

**AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES
UNION FOUNDATION**

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V.

Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/13/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT for <i>Injunctive and Declaratory Relief</i> against United States Department of Justice. Filed by American Civil Liberties Union Foundation. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>3</u> Civil Cover Sheet)(Morris, Maria) (Filed on 10/13/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/13/2023)
10/13/2023	<u>2</u>	Proposed Summons. (Morris, Maria) (Filed on 10/13/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/13/2023)
10/13/2023	3	Case assigned to Judge James Donato. Counsel for plaintiff or the removing party is responsible for serving the Complaint or Notice of Removal, Summons and the assigned judge's standing orders and all other new case documents upon the opposing parties. For information, visit <i>E-Filing A New Civil Case</i> at http://cand.uscourts.gov/ecf/caseopening . Standing orders can be downloaded from the court's web page at www.cand.uscourts.gov/judges . Upon receipt, the summons will be issued and returned electronically. A scheduling order will be sent by Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF) within two business days. (as, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/13/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/13/2023)
10/13/2023	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kyle A. Virgien (Virgien, Kyle) (Filed on 10/13/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/13/2023)
10/13/2023	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Corene Thaedra Kendrick (Kendrick, Corene) (Filed on 10/13/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/13/2023)

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10/16/2023	<u>6</u>	Initial Case Management Scheduling Order with ADR Deadlines: Notice: The assigned judge participates in the Cameras in the Courtroom Pilot Project. See General Order No. 65 and http://cand.uscourts.gov/cameras. Case Management Statement due by 1/4/2024. Initial Case Management Conference set for 1/11/2024 10:00 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom 11, 19th Floor. (hdj, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/16/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/16/2023)
10/16/2023	<u>7</u>	Summons Issued as to United States Department of Justice(hdj, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/16/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/16/2023)
10/17/2023	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Emilou MacLean (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service Proof of Service for Notice of Appearance)(MacLean, Emilou) (Filed on 10/17/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 10/17/2023)
12/14/2023	<u>9</u>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE by American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of <i>Process</i> (Morris, Maria) (Filed on 12/14/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/14/2023)
12/14/2023	<u>10</u>	CONSENT/DECLINATION to Proceed Before a US Magistrate Judge by American Civil Liberties Union Foundation.. (Morris, Maria) (Filed on 12/14/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/14/2023)
12/18/2023	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by John Wesley Samples (Samples, John) (Filed on 12/18/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/18/2023)
12/18/2023	<u>12</u>	STIPULATION <i>JOINT STIPULATION TO MODIFY DEADLINE TO ANSWER OR OTHERWISE RESPOND</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Samples, John) (Filed on 12/18/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/18/2023)
12/18/2023	<u>13</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>JOINT STIPULATION TO MODIFY DEADLINES FOR THE JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT, CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE, AND [PROPOSED] ORDER</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration)(Samples, John) (Filed on 12/18/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/18/2023)
12/20/2023	14	ORDER. The parties' joint request to modify the case management deadlines, Dkt. No. 13, is denied. Signed by Judge James Donato on 12/20/2023. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (jdlc3, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 12/20/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/20/2023)
12/22/2023	15	ADR Clerks Notice re: Non-Compliance with Court Order. The parties have failed to file an ADR Certification as required by the Initial Case Management Scheduling Order. Counsel shall comply promptly with the requirements of ADR L.R. 3-5(b) and shall file the ADR Certification. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.)(cmf, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 12/22/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/22/2023)
12/22/2023	<u>16</u>	ADR Certification (ADR L.R. 3-5 b) of discussion of ADR options (Samples, John) (Filed on 12/22/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/22/2023)
12/22/2023	<u>17</u>	ADR Certification (ADR L.R. 3-5 b) of discussion of ADR options (Morris, Maria) (Filed on 12/22/2023) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 12/22/2023)
01/03/2024	<u>18</u>	Certificate of Interested Entities by American Civil Liberties Union Foundation (Morris, Maria) (Filed on 1/3/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 01/03/2024)

01/04/2024	<u>19</u>	CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT <i>Initial Joint Case Management Statement</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Samples, John) (Filed on 1/4/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 01/04/2024)
01/10/2024	20	ORDER. The initial case management conference set for January 11, 2024, is continued to February 1, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Signed by Judge James Donato on 1/10/2024. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (jdlc3, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 1/10/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 01/10/2024)
01/16/2024	<u>21</u>	NOTICE of Change of Address by Corene Thaedra Kendrick (Kendrick, Corene) (Filed on 1/16/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 01/16/2024)
02/02/2024	<u>22</u>	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge James Donato: Initial Case Management Conference held on 2/1/2024. Total Time in Court: 4 minutes. Court Reporter: Kendra Stepler. (jdlc3, COURT STAFF) (Date Filed: 2/2/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 02/02/2024)
03/18/2024	<u>23</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>JOINT STIPULATION TO TRANSFER CASE TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AND [PROPOSED] ORDER</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Samples, John) (Filed on 3/18/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 03/18/2024)
03/20/2024	<u>24</u>	ORDER GRANTING JOINT STIPULATION TO TRANSFER CASE TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. Signed by Judge James Donato on 3/18/2024. (jdlc3, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 3/20/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 03/20/2024)
03/21/2024		Emailed Helpdesk to transfer case. (hdj, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 3/21/2024) [Transferred from California Northern on 3/22/2024.] (Entered: 03/21/2024)
03/22/2024	<u>25</u>	Case transferred in from District of Northern California; Case Number 3:23-cv-05248. Original file, transfer order and docket sheet received. (Entered: 03/22/2024)
03/22/2024		NOTICE OF NEW CASE ERROR regarding <u>1</u> Complaint. The following error(s) need correction: Civil Case filing fee not paid. Please remit payment using the event Payment of Fee-Complaint/Petition. COMPLIANCE DEADLINE is by close of business today. This case will not proceed any further until all errors are satisfied. (znmw) (Entered: 03/22/2024)
03/22/2024		Payment for <u>1</u> Complaint,. (\$405; Receipt number ADCDC-10775812). (Morris, Maria) (Entered: 03/22/2024)
04/22/2024	<u>26</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint, by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 04/22/2024)
04/23/2024	<u>27</u>	ORDER. Both a Complaint and an Answer are now before the court in this FOIA case. It is hereby ordered that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before May 7, 2024. The Joint Status Report shall include (1) the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request; (2) the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request; (3) the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff; (4) whether a motion for stay is likely under <i>Open America v. Watergate Special Prosecution Force</i> , 547 F.2d 605 (D.C. Cir. 1976); and (5) whether the parties anticipate summary judgment briefing and, if so, a proposed briefing schedule. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 4/23/24. (lcapm2) (Entered: 04/23/2024)
04/23/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 5/7/2024. (zcdw) (Entered: 04/23/2024)
05/07/2024	<u>28</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 05/07/2024)
05/08/2024		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report by June 7, 2024, which advises whether any disputed issues remain and, if so, proposes a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 5/8/24. (lcapm2)

		(Entered: 05/08/2024)
05/09/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 6/7/2024. (zcdw) (Entered: 05/09/2024)
06/07/2024	<u>29</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 06/07/2024)
06/10/2024		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report by August 8, 2024, which updates the court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 6/10/24. (lcapm2) (Entered: 06/10/2024)
06/10/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Additional Status Report from the parties due by 8/8/2024 (zakb) (Entered: 06/10/2024)
08/08/2024	<u>30</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 08/08/2024)
08/10/2024		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file an additional Joint Status Report by October 8, 2024, which updates the court on the processing and production of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 8/10/2024. (lcapm2) (Entered: 08/10/2024)
08/13/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 10/8/2024 (zakb) (Entered: 08/13/2024)