## **U.S. District Court** District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-01351-LLA

CAHILL v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Assigned to: Judge Loren L. AliKhan

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 05/08/2024 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff** 

**BRET EDWARD CAHILL** 

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**Defendant** 

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/08/2024	1	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Filing fee \$ 405, receipt number 207313) filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet)(mg) (Entered: 05/10/2024)
05/08/2024	<u>2</u>	NOTICE OF RELATED CASE by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. Case related to Case No. USCA–FED 24–1745. (mg) (Entered: 05/10/2024)
05/10/2024		SUMMONS (3) Issued as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (mg) (Entered: 05/10/2024)
05/20/2024		Summons (2) REISSUED as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. Attorney General; sent to Plaintiff by mail (mg) Modified docket text on 5/21/2024 (mg). (Entered: 05/20/2024)
05/30/2024	<u>3</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE served on 5/21/2024 (zjm) (Entered: 05/31/2024)
05/30/2024	4	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 05/23/2024. (zjm) (Entered: 05/31/2024)
05/30/2024	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 5/23/2024. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 6/22/2024. (zjm) (Entered: 05/31/2024)
06/05/2024	<u>6</u>	AFFIDAVIT of Service re <u>5</u> by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (mg) Modified on 6/12/2024 to add link (mg). (Entered: 06/11/2024)

06/06/2024	7	AFFIDAVIT OF Service re <u>5</u> by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (mg) Modified on 6/12/2024 to add link (mg). (Entered: 06/11/2024)
06/20/2024	8	NOTICE of Appearance by Brian J. Levy on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Attachments: # 1 Certificate of Service)(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 06/20/2024)
06/20/2024	9	MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re 1 Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit, # 2 Text of Proposed Order, # 3 Certificate of Service)(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 06/20/2024)
06/25/2024	<u>10</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re 2 Motion for Extension of Time to File Answer filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (mg) (Entered: 06/28/2024)
07/01/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of Defendant's Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to the Complaint 2 and Plaintiff's opposition 10, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED for good cause, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(b). It is further ORDERED that Defendant shall file its answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's complaint on or before July 24, 2024. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 7/1/2024. (Iclla1) (Entered: 07/01/2024)
07/01/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Answer or other response to complaint due by 7/24/2024. (zcdw) (Entered: 07/01/2024)
07/01/2024	<u>11</u>	MOTION for CM/ECF Password by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (mg) (Entered: 07/02/2024)
07/02/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of Plaintiff's Motion for CM/ECF Password 11, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 7/2/2024. (lclla1) (Entered: 07/02/2024)
07/03/2024	<u>12</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re 2 Motion for Extension of Time to File Answer filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit)(CAHILL, BRET) (Entered: 07/03/2024)
07/16/2024	<u>13</u>	REQUEST for Production of Documents by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. "Leave to file GRANTED." Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on July 16, 2024.(mg) (Entered: 07/16/2024)
07/16/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of Plaintiff's Request for Production of Documents 13, it is hereby ORDERED that Plaintiff's request is DENIED without prejudice as premature. Plaintiff's request goes to the merits of his FOIA challenge, and the government has not yet filed an answer. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 7/16/2024. (Iclla1) (Entered: 07/16/2024)
07/17/2024		ENTERED IN ERROREx Parte by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (CAHILL, BRET) Modified on 7/18/2024; entered in error per plaintiff (zdp). (Entered: 07/17/2024)
07/18/2024	<u>14</u>	MOTION for Bill of Costs by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 2)(CAHILL, BRET) Modified event on 7/19/2024 (znmw). (Entered: 07/18/2024)
07/24/2024	<u>15</u>	MOTION to Dismiss , MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum in Support, # 2 Declaration, # 3 Exhibit 1, # 4 Exhibit 2, # 5 Exhibit 3, # 6 Exhibit 4, # 7 Exhibit 5, # 8 Exhibit 6, # 9 Exhibit 7, # 10 Exhibit 8, # 11 Exhibit 9, # 12 Exhibit 10, # 13 Exhibit 11, # 14 Exhibit 12, # 15 Text of Proposed Order, # 16 Certificate of Service)(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 07/24/2024)
07/24/2024	<u>16</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re 14 Motion for Bill of Costs filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration, # 2 Exhibit 1, # 3 Exhibit 2, # 4 Exhibit 3, # 5 Exhibit 4, # 6 Exhibit 5, # 7 Exhibit 6, # 8 Exhibit 7, # 9 Exhibit 8, # 10 Exhibit 9, # 11 Exhibit 10, # 12 Exhibit 11, # 13 Exhibit 12, # 14 Text of Proposed Order, # 15 Certificate of Service)(Levy, Brian) (Entered: 07/24/2024)
07/25/2024	<u>17</u>	FOX/NEAL ORDER: Plaintiff is hereby ORDERED to respond to Defendant's motion to dismiss or in the alternative for summary judgment 15 on or before August 7, 2024. See order for details. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 7/25/2024. (Iclla1) (Entered: 07/25/2024)

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07/25/2024		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that Plaintiff shall file his reply in support of his motion for costs <u>14</u> on or before July 31, 2024. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 7/25/2024. (lclla1) (Entered: 07/25/2024)
07/25/2024	<u>18</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>14</u> MOTION for Bill of Costs, <u>15</u> MOTION to Dismiss MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (CAHILL, BRET) (Entered: 07/25/2024)
07/25/2024	<u>19</u>	ENTERED IN ERRORMemorandum in opposition to re <u>14</u> Motion for Bill of Costs, <u>15</u> Motion to Dismiss,, Motion for Summary Judgment, filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (CAHILL, BRET) Modified on 7/25/2024; at Plaintiff's request (mg). (Entered: 07/25/2024)
07/26/2024	<u>20</u>	SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM to re <u>14</u> MOTION for Bill of Costs, <u>15</u> MOTION to Dismiss MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (CAHILL, BRET) (Entered: 07/26/2024)
07/31/2024	<u>21</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>14</u> Motion for Bill of Costs filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (CAHILL, BRET) (Entered: 07/31/2024)
08/01/2024	<u>22</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>15</u> MOTION to Dismiss MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Levy, Brian) (Entered: 08/01/2024)
08/01/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Defendant has filed a reply <u>22</u> in support of its motion to dismiss or for summary judgment <u>15</u> . Defendant's reply purportedly responds to Plaintiff's opposition <u>19</u> , filed on July <u>25</u> , 2024. However, ECF No. 19 was designated as "entered in error," and the court will therefore disregard it. Per the court's <i>Fox/Neal</i> order <u>17</u> , Plaintiff has until August 7, 2024 to file his opposition to Defendant's motion to dismiss. Any reply filed by Defendant before Plaintiff has filed his opposition is premature. The court will therefore disregard Defendant's reply <u>22</u> . Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 8/1/2024. (lclla1) (Entered: 08/01/2024)
08/07/2024	<u>23</u>	REPLY re <u>15</u> MOTION to Dismiss MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (CAHILL, BRET) (Entered: 08/07/2024)
08/14/2024	<u>24</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>15</u> MOTION to Dismiss MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Levy, Brian) (Entered: 08/14/2024)
08/19/2024	<u>25</u>	SURREPLY re <u>24</u> REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>15</u> MOTION to Dismiss MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>Reply To Defendant's Doc 24</i> filed by BRET EDWARD CAHILL. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit)(CAHILL, BRET) Modified event title and link on 8/19/2024 (znmw). (Entered: 08/19/2024)