U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-03626-DLF

CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Dabney L. Friedrich

Demand: \$0

Case in other court: 21-05276

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

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CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON Date Filed: 12/04/2019 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
12/04/2019	1	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number ADCDC–6616434) filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Summons Attorney General, # 3 Summons U.S. Attorney, # 4 Summons Department of Justice)(Weismann, Anne) (Entered: 12/04/2019)
12/04/2019	2	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Weismann, Anne) (Entered: 12/04/2019)
12/05/2019		Case assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (zmc) (Entered: 12/05/2019)
12/06/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # 1 Notice and Consent)(zmc) (Entered: 12/06/2019)
12/17/2019	4	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 12/16/2019, RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 12/16/2019. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 1/15/2020.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 12/16/19. (Weismann,

		Anne) (Entered: 12/17/2019)
12/18/2019	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Jessica A. Lutkenhaus on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 12/18/2019)
01/15/2020	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 01/15/2020)
01/16/2020		MINUTE ORDER requiring the parties to MEET AND CONFER and file a joint status report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. The status report should address the status of the plaintiff's FOIA request, including the anticipated number of documents responsive to the request and the anticipated date(s) for release of the requested documents. The parties shall file the joint status report on or before January 30, 2020. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 16, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 01/16/2020)
01/30/2020	7	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>on behalf of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 01/30/2020)
01/31/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' 7 Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before February 27, 2020. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 31, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 01/31/2020)
02/27/2020	8	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>on Behalf of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 02/27/2020)
02/27/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>8</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before April 16, 2020. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on February 27, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 02/27/2020)
04/16/2020	9	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>on Behalf of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 04/16/2020)
04/16/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before July 1, 2020. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 16, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 04/16/2020)
04/24/2020	<u>10</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. Attorney Jessica A. Lutkenhaus terminated. (Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 04/24/2020)
05/28/2020	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Jessica A. Lutkenhaus on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 05/28/2020)
07/01/2020	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>on behalf of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 07/01/2020)
07/02/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' 12 Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before August 7, 2020. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 2, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 07/02/2020)
08/07/2020	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>on behalf of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' 13 Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before September 11, 2020. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on August 7, 2020. (lcdlf3). (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 9/11/2020 (zjch) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/21/2020	<u>14</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Nikhel Sus on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON Substituting for attorney Anne L. Weismann (Sus, Nikhel) (Entered: 08/21/2020)
09/11/2020	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>on behalf of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 09/11/2020)
09/14/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the following schedule shall govern further proceedings: the defendant's Motion for Summary

		Judgment shall be due on or before October 30, 2020; the plaintiff's Cross–Motion for Summary Judgment/Opposition shall be due on or before December 4, 2020; the defendant's Reply/Opposition shall be due on or before January 8, 2021; and the plaintiff's Reply shall be due on or before January 22, 2021. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 14, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 09/14/2020)
09/14/2020		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 12/4/2020. Response to Cross Motions due by 1/8/2021. Reply to Cross Motions due by 1/22/2021. Summary Judgment motions due by 10/30/2020. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 12/4/2020. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 1/8/2021. (zjch) (Entered: 09/15/2020)
10/22/2020	<u>16</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Opening Brief and for Extension of Briefing Schedule</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 10/22/2020)
10/22/2020		MINUTE ORDER granting the defendant's <u>16</u> Consent Motion For Extension of Time. Accordingly, the following schedule shall govern further proceedings: the defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before November 6, 2020; the plaintiff shall file its cross—motion for summary judgment/opposition on or before December 11, 2020; the defendant shall file its reply/opposition on or before January 15, 2021; and the plaintiff shall file its reply on or before January 29, 2021. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 22, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 10/22/2020)
11/06/2020	<u>17</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum in Support, # 2 Statement of Facts, # 3 Text of Proposed Order, # 4 Declaration of Kara Christenson, # 5 Declaration of Richard Winter, # 6 Declaration of Vanessa Brinkmann)(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 11/06/2020)
12/03/2020	<u>18</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>file Summary Judgment Briefing</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 12/03/2020)
12/04/2020		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the <u>18</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time, it is ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED. Accordingly, the following schedule shall govern further proceedings: the plaintiff shall file its cross–motion for summary judgment/opposition on or before December 23, 2020; the defendant shall file its reply/opposition on or before January 27, 2021; and the plaintiff shall file its reply on or before February 17, 2021. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on December 4, 2020. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 12/04/2020)
12/23/2020	<u>19</u>	Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Attachments: # 1 Statement of Facts, # 2 Declaration of Jessica A. Lutkenhaus, # 3 Exhibit 1, # 4 Exhibit 2, # 5 Exhibit 3, # 6 Exhibit 4, # 7 Text of Proposed Order)(Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 12/23/2020)
12/23/2020	<u>20</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>17</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>2</u> Declaration of Jessica A. Lutkenhaus, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 3, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 4, # <u>7</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 12/23/2020)
01/25/2021	<u>21</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply as to <u>19</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 01/25/2021)
01/25/2021		MINUTE ORDER granting the defendant's <u>21</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. Accordingly, the following schedule shall govern further proceedings: the defendant's reply/opposition shall be due on or before February 17, 2021; the plaintiff's reply shall be due on or before March 10, 2021. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on January 25, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 01/25/2021)
02/17/2021	22	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>17</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts (Response to Plaintiff's Statement of Undisputed Material Facts))(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 02/17/2021)
02/17/2021	23	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>19</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts (Response to Plaintiff's Statement of Undisputed Material Facts))(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 02/17/2021)
03/04/2021	24	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Reply in Support of Cross—Motion for Summary Judgment by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON.

		(Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 03/04/2021)
03/04/2021		MINUTE ORDER granting the plaintiff's <u>24</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. Accordingly, the plaintiff shall file its reply in support of its cross–motion for summary judgment on or before March 17, 2021. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 4, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 03/04/2021)
03/17/2021	<u>25</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>19</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 03/17/2021)
07/09/2021	<u>26</u>	NOTICE by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 07/09/2021)
07/23/2021	<u>27</u>	NOTICE of Withdrawal of Exemption 7(A) Argument by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 07/23/2021)
09/20/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the record, the Court last week directed the parties to confer and the government to file on the docket, no later than September 28, 2021, an updated Vaughn Index that reflects (1) the exemptions that the government has withdrawn, (2) the documents that the government concedes should be released, (3) the exemptions that the plaintiff no longer challenges, and (4) the documents that the plaintiff concedes should be withheld. In addition, the government shall make clear on the updated Vaughn Index whether each exemption the government now asserts justifies withholding each document in full or in part. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 20, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 09/20/2021)
09/28/2021	28	NOTICE of Submission of Updated Vaughn Index by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1 (Updated Vaughn Index, redline), # 2 Exhibit 2 (Updated Vaughn Index, clean))(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 09/28/2021)
09/30/2021	29	ORDER granting in part and denying in part defendant's <u>17</u> Motion for Summary Judgment and granting in part and denying in part plaintiff's <u>19</u> Cross–Motion for Summary Judgment. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 30, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 09/30/2021)
09/30/2021	<u>30</u>	MEMORANDUM OPINION regarding defendant's <u>17</u> Motion for Summary Judgment and plaintiff's <u>19</u> Cross–Motion for Summary Judgment. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 30, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 09/30/2021)
10/08/2021	<u>31</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>on behalf of the parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Kossak, Jonathan) (Entered: 10/08/2021)
10/08/2021		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>31</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that on or before December 3, 2021, defendant shall process and release to plaintiff the two records it redacted under Exemption 7(E) or file a motion for a stay pending appeal. It is further ORDERED that the plaintiff shall file—or decline to file—a motion for attorney's fees on or before December 3, 2021. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 8, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 10/08/2021)
11/29/2021	32	NOTICE OF APPEAL TO DC CIRCUIT COURT as to 30 Memorandum & Opinion, 29 Order on Motion for Summary Judgment,,,, Set/Reset Deadlines, by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. Filing fee \$ 505, receipt number ADCDC–8892847. Fee Status: Fee Paid. Parties have been notified. (Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 11/29/2021)
11/30/2021	<u>33</u>	Transmission of the Notice of Appeal, Order Appealed (Memorandum Opinion), and Docket Sheet to US Court of Appeals. The Court of Appeals fee was paid re <u>32</u> Notice of Appeal to DC Circuit Court,. (zeg) (Entered: 11/30/2021)
12/03/2021		USCA Case Number 21–5276 for <u>32</u> Notice of Appeal to DC Circuit Court, filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (eg) (Entered: 12/03/2021)
12/03/2021	<u>34</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>any Motion for Attorneys Fees</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order)(Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 12/03/2021)
12/06/2021		MINUTE ORDER granting plaintiff's <u>34</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time to File Motion for Attorneys' Fees. The plaintiff shall file its motion for attorneys' fees within 30 days from the issuance of the mandate of the D.C. Circuit. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on December 6, 2021. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 12/06/2021)

01/26/2023	<u>35</u>	NOTICE of Change of Address by Jessica A. Lutkenhaus (Lutkenhaus, Jessica) (Entered: 01/26/2023)
01/31/2023	<u>36</u>	USCA JUDGMENT as to <u>32</u> Notice of Appeal to DC Circuit Court, filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON USCA Case Number 21–5276. (zed) (Entered: 02/03/2023)
03/24/2023	<u>37</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Johnny Hillary Walker, III on behalf of All Defendants (Walker, Johnny) (Entered: 03/24/2023)
03/24/2023	<u>38</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Colleen Campbell on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 03/24/2023)
03/27/2023	<u>39</u>	MANDATE of USCA as to <u>36</u> USCA Judgment, <u>32</u> Notice of Appeal to DC Circuit Court, filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON; USCA Case Number 21–5276. (zed) (Entered: 04/04/2023)
04/04/2023		MINUTE ORDER. The parties are directed to file a joint status report on or before April 12, 2023, proposing a schedule for further proceedings in light of the D.C. Circuit's <u>39</u> Mandate. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 4, 2023. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 04/04/2023)
04/12/2023	<u>40</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>and Proposed Schedule</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Walker, Johnny) (Entered: 04/12/2023)
04/12/2023		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>40</u> Joint Status Report, the Court will adopt the briefing schedule proposed by the parties. The defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before June 12, 2023; the plaintiff shall file its opposition and cross—motion on or before July 21, 2023; the defendant shall file its reply and opposition on or before August 11, 2023; and the plaintiff shall file its reply on or before August 29, 2023. In addition, the deadline for plaintiff to file a motion for attorneys fees is VACATED; such motion shall instead be filed within 30 days of the Court's decision on the cross—motion for summary judgment. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 12, 2023. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 04/12/2023)
04/12/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 7/21/2023. Response to Cross Motions due by 8/11/2023. Reply to Cross Motions due by 8/29/2023. Summary Judgment motions due by 6/12/2023. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 7/21/2023. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 8/11/2023. (zjch,) (Entered: 04/13/2023)
06/07/2023	<u>41</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Move for Summary Judgment</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Walker, Johnny) (Entered: 06/07/2023)
06/07/2023		MINUTE ORDER granting the defendant's <u>41</u> Motion for Extension of Time. The defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before July 7, 2023; the plaintiff shall file its opposition and cross—motion on or before August 25, 2023; the defendant shall file its reply and opposition on or before September 15, 2023; and the plaintiff shall file its reply on or before October 6, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on June 7, 2023. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 06/07/2023)
06/07/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 8/25/2023. Response to Cross Motions due by 9/15/2023. Reply to Cross Motions due by 10/6/2023. Responses due by 8/25/2023 Replies due by 9/15/2023. (zjch,) (Entered: 06/08/2023)
07/03/2023	<u>42</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Cassandra Snyder on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Snyder, Cassandra) (Entered: 07/03/2023)
07/03/2023	<u>43</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Motion for Summary Judgment</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Snyder, Cassandra) (Entered: 07/03/2023)
07/03/2023		MINUTE ORDER granting the defendant's <u>43</u> Motion for Extension of Time. The defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before July 14, 2023; the plaintiff shall file its opposition and cross—motion on or before August 29, 2023; the defendant shall file its reply and opposition on or before September 19, 2023; and the plaintiff shall file its reply on or before October 10, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 3, 2023. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 07/03/2023)
07/03/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 8/29/2023. Response to Cross Motions due by 9/19/2023. Reply to Cross Motions due by 10/10/2023. Summary Judgment motions due by 7/14/2023. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 8/29/2023. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 9/19/2023. (zjch,) (Entered: 07/03/2023)

07/13/2023	<u>44</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Motion for Summary Judgment</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Snyder, Cassandra)
07/13/2023		(Entered: 07/13/2023) MINUTE ORDER granting the defendant's 44 Motion for Extension of Time. The defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before July 21, 2023; the plaintiff shall file its opposition and cross—motion on or before September 12, 2023; the defendant shall file its reply and opposition on or before October 3, 2023; and the plaintiff shall file its reply on or before October 24, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 13, 2023. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 07/13/2023)
07/13/2023		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 9/12/2023. Response to Cross Motions due by 10/3/2023. Reply to Cross Motions due by 10/24/2023. Summary Judgment motions due by 7/21/2023. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 9/12/2023. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 10/3/2023. (zjch,) (Entered: 07/14/2023)
07/18/2023	<u>45</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name—Denis Reagan Hurley III, Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ADCDC—10215016. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Denis R. Hurley in Support, # 2 Certificate of Good Standing, # 3 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 07/18/2023)
07/20/2023		MINUTE ORDER granting 45 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Counsel should register for e–filing via PACER and file a notice of appearance pursuant to LCvR 83.6(a). For instructions visit: https://www.dcd.uscourts.gov/sites/dcd/files/NextGEN_Tutorial_for_Registering_for_E–filing.pdf.
07/21/2023	<u>46</u>	So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 20, 2023. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 07/20/2023) MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum in Support, # 2 Statement of Facts, # 3 Text of Proposed Order, # 4 Exhibit A – 2nd Christenson Decl., # 5 Exhibit B – Contractor 1 Decl. (redacted), # 6 Exhibit C – Contractor 2 Decl. (redacted), # 7 Exhibit D – Lesch Decl.)(Snyder, Cassandra) (Entered: 07/21/2023)
07/27/2023	<u>47</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Denis Reagan Hurley, III on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Hurley, Denis) (Entered: 07/27/2023)
09/07/2023	<u>48</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Ari Holtzblatt on behalf of CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON (Holtzblatt, Ari) (Entered: 09/07/2023)
09/12/2023	<u>49</u>	Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum in Support, # 2 Response to Statement of Material Facts and Statement of Undisputed Material Facts, # 3 Declaration of Denis A. Hurley, # 4 Exhibit A, # 5 Exhibit B, # 6 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 09/12/2023)
10/03/2023	<u>50</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>49</u> Motion for Summary Judgment, filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A – 3rd Christenson Decl.)(Snyder, Cassandra) (Entered: 10/03/2023)
10/03/2023	<u>51</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>46</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A – 3rd Christenson Decl.)(Snyder, Cassandra) (Entered: 10/03/2023)
10/16/2023	<u>52</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply <i>in Support of its Cross—Motion for Summary Judgment</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 10/16/2023)
10/16/2023		MINUTE ORDER granting the plaintiff's <u>52</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. The plaintiff shall file a reply on or before October 31, 2023. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 16, 2023. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 10/16/2023)
10/31/2023	<u>53</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>49</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 10/31/2023)
03/31/2024	<u>54</u>	ORDER granting <u>46</u> Motion for Summary Judgment and granting in part and denying in part <u>49</u> Cross–Motion for Summary Judgment. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 31, 2024. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 03/31/2024)

03/31/2024	<u>55</u>	MEMORANDUM OPINION regarding <u>46</u> Motion for Summary Judgment and <u>49</u> Cross–Motion for Summary Judgment. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on March 31, 2024. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 03/31/2024)
04/23/2024		MINUTE ORDER. As ordered by the Court on March 31, 2024, the Department of Justice has produced the sixteen challenged records without redactions and five public records for in camera review. On or before April 30, 2024, the Department shall provide to the Court redacted versions of any of the sixteen challenged records that have been released to the plaintiff. To the Court's knowledge, this includes records 50, 51, 52, 111, 112, 139, and 140. The government is directed to email these (and any other redacted records that have been provided to plaintiff) to the chambers email at Friedrich_Chambers@dcd.uscourts.gov. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 23, 2024. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 04/23/2024)
04/24/2024	<u>56</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Motion for Attorney's Fees</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 04/24/2024)
04/25/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting the plaintiff's <u>56</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. Any motion for attorney's fees shall be filed on or before June 28, 2024, or in the event an appeal is filed, 30 days after the resolution of an appeal. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 25, 2024. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 04/25/2024)
04/25/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Motions due by 6/28/2024. (zjch,) (Entered: 04/26/2024)
05/14/2024	<u>57</u>	SEALED DOCUMENT filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE(This document is SEALED and only available to authorized persons.) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A – 4th Christenson Decl.)(Snyder, Cassandra) (Entered: 05/14/2024)
05/17/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Consistent with its Memorandum Opinion, Dkt. 55, the Court conducted an in camera review of 16 records that the Department of Justice previously withheld or partially disclosed to "determine in the first instance whether and to what extent any information in the public domain is the basis on which the government seeks to withhold any records or reasonably segregable portions thereof under Exemption 4." See Mem. Op. at 17, Dkt. 55 (quoting CREW v. U.S. Dept of Just., 58 F.4th 1255, 1273 (D.C. Cir. 2023)). The Court concludes that the Department has properly withheld or redacted the records. No further disclosures are required. So ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 17, 2024. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 05/17/2024)
06/25/2024	<u>58</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Any Motion for Attorney's Fees</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 06/25/2024)
06/26/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting the plaintiff's <u>58</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. The plaintiff shall file any motion for attorneys' fees on or before July 12, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on June 26, 2024. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 06/26/2024)
07/03/2024	<u>59</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Any Motion for Attorney's Fees</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 07/03/2024)
07/03/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting the plaintiff's <u>59</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. The plaintiff shall file any motion for attorneys' fees on or before August 2, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 3, 2024. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 07/03/2024)
07/29/2024	<u>60</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Any Motion for Attorney's fees</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 07/29/2024)
07/30/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting the plaintiffs' <u>60</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. The plaintiffs shall file any motion for attorneys' fees on or before August 30, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 30, 2024. (lcdlf1) (Entered: 07/30/2024)
07/30/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines: Motions due by 8/30/2024. (zjch,) (Entered: 08/01/2024)
08/28/2024	<u>61</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Any Motion for Attorney's fees</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 08/28/2024)
08/30/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting the parties' <u>61</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. The plaintiff shall file any motion for attorneys fees, or move for a further extension of time, on or before

		September 13, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on August 30, 2024. (lcdlf1) (Entered: 08/30/2024)
09/11/2024	<u>62</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Any Motion for Attorney's Fees</i> by CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Campbell, Colleen) (Entered: 09/11/2024)
09/12/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting the plaintiffs consent <u>62</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File any Motion for Attorney's Fees. The plaintiff is directed to file its motion for attorneys fees on or before September 27, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on September 12, 2024. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 09/12/2024)