U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:22-cv-00468-JMC

SPARACINO PLLC v. UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL

Assigned to: Judge Jia M. Cobb

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 02/22/2022 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/22/2022	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT for Violation of the Freedom of Information Act against UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC–9058951) filed by SPARACINO PLLC. (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Summons to US Attorney General, # 3 Summons to Civil Process Clerk – US Attorney's Office, # 4 Summons to US Army Central, # 5 Exhibit 1, # 6 Exhibit 2, # 7 Exhibit 3, # 8 Exhibit 4, # 9 Exhibit 5)(Gottlieb, Michael) (Entered: 02/22/2022)
02/22/2022	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by SPARACINO PLLC (Gottlieb, Michael) (Entered: 02/22/2022)
02/23/2022		Case Assigned to Judge Jia M. Cobb. (zsb) (Entered: 02/23/2022)
03/07/2022	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # 1 Notice and Consent)(zjf) (Entered: 03/07/2022)
03/24/2022	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Patricia K. McBride on behalf of UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 03/24/2022)
03/28/2022	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Nicholas M.H. Reddick on behalf of SPARACINO PLLC (Reddick, Nicholas) (Main Document 5 replaced on 3/28/2022) (znmw). (Entered: 03/28/2022)
03/28/2022	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Devin Charles Ringger on behalf of SPARACINO PLLC (Ringger, Devin) (Entered: 03/28/2022)
03/28/2022	7	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. Attorney Patricia K. McBride terminated. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 03/28/2022)
03/28/2022	8	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL served on 3/11/2022 (Attachments: # 1 Proof of Service)(Gottlieb, Michael) (Entered: 03/28/2022)
03/28/2022	9	NOTICE of Appearance by John Haberland on behalf of UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL (Haberland, John) (Entered: 03/28/2022)
03/28/2022	<u>10</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 03/14/2022. (Attachments: # 1 Proof of Service)(Gottlieb, Michael) (Entered: 03/28/2022)

<u>11</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 3/14/2022. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 4/13/2022. (Attachments: # 1 Proof of Service)(Gottlieb, Michael) (Entered: 03/28/2022)
<u>12</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Answer</i> by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 04/08/2022)
	MINUTE ORDER granting 12 Motion for Extension of Time to Answer by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL: Upon consideration of 12 Motion for Extension of Time, it is hereby ORDERED that Defendant's Answer is due by May 16, 2022. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on April 8, 2022. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 04/08/2022)
<u>13</u>	ERRATA by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL re 12 Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Answer</i> filed by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 04/11/2022)
	MINUTE ORDER granting 13 Consent Motion for Extension of Time to Answer: The Court vacates the May 16, 2022, deadline to Answer which was entered in error with respect to 12 Motion for Extension of Time. The Court hereby directs Defendant to file their Answer by May 13, 2022. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on April 11, 2022. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 04/11/2022)
<u>14</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL.(Haberland, John) (Entered: 05/13/2022)
	MINUTE ORDER: The Court ORDERS that the Parties confer and submit a joint proposed schedule for further proceedings, which shall include a proposed schedule for the processing and release of responsive records or for briefing dispositive motions, by May 31, 2022. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on May 16, 2022. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 05/16/2022)
<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 05/31/2022)
<u>16</u>	ORDER: See document for Scheduling Order. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on June 2, 2022. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 06/02/2022)
<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 07/28/2022)
	MINUTE ORDER re 17 Joint Status Report: The Court ORDERS the Parties to file the next joint status report by September 27, 2022, and every 60 daysthereafter regarding the status of the processing of responsive documents. The Court also ORDERS Defendants to begin releasing documents by October 27, 2022, and to release 200 pages of documents every 30 days until the releases are complete. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on August 1, 2022. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 08/01/2022)
<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 09/27/2022)
	MINUTE ORDER re 18 Joint Status Report: The Court ORDERS the Parties to file the next joint status report by December 2, 2022, and every 60 days thereafter regarding the status of the processing of responsive documents. The Court also ORDERS Defendant to begin releasing documents by October 27, 2022, and to release 200 pages of documents every 45 days until the releases are complete. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on September 29, 2022. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 09/29/2022)
<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 12/02/2022)
<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 01/31/2023)
<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 03/02/2023)
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02/20/2022	22	G AMOTION C F C CET A LANGE AND AN
03/30/2023	22	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>submit JSR</i> by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 03/30/2023)
03/31/2023		MINUTE ORDER re <u>22</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time: Having considered the motion and for good cause shown, the Court GRANTS the motion. The Parties are ORDERED to submit a Joint Status Report by April 12, 2023. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on March 31, 2023. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 03/31/2023)
04/12/2023	<u>23</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 04/12/2023)
05/10/2023	<u>24</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Haberland, John) (Entered: 05/10/2023)
06/05/2023	<u>25</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Patrick Doyle on behalf of UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL Substituting for attorney John Haberland (Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 06/05/2023)
06/09/2023	<u>26</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 06/09/2023)
07/07/2023	<u>27</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 07/07/2023)
08/08/2023	<u>28</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 08/08/2023)
09/08/2023	<u>29</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 09/08/2023)
10/06/2023	<u>30</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 10/06/2023)
11/06/2023	<u>31</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>file Joint Status Report</i> by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 11/06/2023)
11/07/2023		MINUTE ORDER granting 31 Motion for Extension of Time: Considering the consent motion, the motion is GRANTED. The Parties shall submit a joint status report by November 13, 2023, and every 30 days afterwards until further order of the Court. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on November 7, 2023. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 11/07/2023)
11/13/2023	<u>32</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 11/13/2023)
12/13/2023	<u>33</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 12/13/2023)
01/12/2024	<u>34</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 01/12/2024)
02/12/2024	<u>35</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 02/12/2024)
03/13/2024	<u>36</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 03/13/2024)
04/12/2024	<u>37</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 04/12/2024)
05/13/2024	<u>38</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 05/13/2024)
06/12/2024	<u>39</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Alane Ballweg on behalf of UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL Substituting for attorney Patrick Doyle (Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 06/12/2024)
06/12/2024	<u>40</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 06/12/2024)

07/12/2024	<u>41</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Joint Status Report</i> by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 07/12/2024)
07/12/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>41</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File: In light of the consent motion, and finding good cause, the motion is GRANTED. The Parties are DIRECTED to file a joint status report by July 19, 2024. Signed by Judge Jia M. Cobb on July 12, 2024. (lcjmc3) (Entered: 07/12/2024)
07/19/2024	<u>42</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 07/19/2024)
08/16/2024	<u>43</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 08/16/2024)
09/16/2024	<u>44</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES ARMY CENTRAL. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 09/16/2024)