

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-03264-CJN**

WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT v. UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Assigned to: Judge Carl J. Nichols
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/01/2023
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/01/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10464599) filed by WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Proposed Summons to U.S. Department of Defense, # <u>3</u> Summons Proposed Summons to U.S. Attorney's Office, # <u>4</u> Summons Proposed Sumons to USAO for D.C.)(Strugar, Matthew) (Attachment 1 replaced on 1/25/2024) (znmw). (Entered: 11/01/2023)
11/01/2023	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT (Strugar, Matthew) (Main Document 2 replaced on 11/3/2023) (mg). (Entered: 11/01/2023)
11/02/2023		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>1</u> Complaint; emailed to matthew@matthewstrugar.com, cc'd 1 associated attorneys --- The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. Complaint and Summons have separate Defendants. Please update Summons to reflect Complaint, 2. COMPLIANCE DEADLINE is by close of business today. This case

		will not proceed any further until all errors are satisfied. (zdp,) (Entered: 11/02/2023)
11/02/2023	<u>3</u>	ERRATA to <i>Complaint</i> by WHITE COAT WASTE PROJECT re <u>1</u> <i>Complaint</i> ,. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Corrected Caption & first page of <i>Complaint</i>)(Strugar, Matthew) (Entered: 11/02/2023)
11/02/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Carl J. Nichols. (zdp) (Entered: 11/02/2023)
11/02/2023	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zdp) (Entered: 11/02/2023)
11/13/2023	<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 11/13/2023. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 12/13/2023. (Strugar, Matthew) (Entered: 11/13/2023)
11/13/2023	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 11/9/2023. RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE served on 11/9/2023 (See docket entry <u>5</u> to view document). (mg) (Entered: 11/15/2023)
12/14/2023	<u>7</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. (Moustakas, John) (Entered: 12/14/2023)
12/19/2023		MINUTE ORDER. The <u>7</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that Defendant shall respond to the complaint on or before January 16, 2024. So ORDERED by Judge Carl J. Nichols on December 19, 2023. (lccjn2) (Entered: 12/19/2023)
01/16/2024	<u>8</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Stephanie R. Johnson on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE Substituting for attorney John Moustakas (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 01/16/2024)
01/16/2024	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.(Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 01/16/2024)
06/05/2024	<u>10</u>	STANDING ORDER. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on June 5, 2024. (lccjn2) (Entered: 06/05/2024)
06/05/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this Freedom of Information Act case are a Complaint and an Answer. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 16.3, the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f) are inapplicable. It is hereby ORDERED that the Parties shall confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before June 17, 2024. The Joint Status Report shall address: (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); (5) the possibility of prioritizing documents responsive to Plaintiff's request[s] and any discussions regarding whether Plaintiff's request[s] can be narrowed; and (6) whether the Parties anticipate summary judgment briefing and, if so, a proposed briefing schedule. So ORDERED by Judge Carl J. Nichols on June 5, 2024. (lccjn2) (Entered: 06/05/2024)
06/17/2024	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 06/17/2024)
08/16/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, the Parties are ORDERED to file a further joint status report on or before September 17, 2024 and every 60 days thereafter until either party moves for a briefing schedule for dispositive motions, files a dispositive motion, or the case is terminated. So ORDERED by Judge Carl J. Nichols on 08/16/2024. (lccjn2) (Entered: 08/16/2024)
09/16/2024	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. (Johnson, Stephanie) (Entered: 09/16/2024)