

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-02445-LLA**

ADVANCE MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS INC. v. U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE et al
Assigned to: Judge Loren L. AliKhan
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/23/2023
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/23/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10297208) filed by ADVANCE MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1-8, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 08/23/2023)
08/23/2023	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of ADVANCE MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS INC. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 08/23/2023)
08/23/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (zljn) (Entered: 08/23/2023)
08/23/2023	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to All Defendants, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zljn) (Entered: 08/23/2023)
09/20/2023	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Patrick Doyle on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 09/20/2023)
09/21/2023	<u>5</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 09/21/2023)
09/21/2023		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>5</u> Defendants' Consent Motion for Extension of Time to Respond. It is hereby ORDERED that Defendants shall respond to the complaint on or before October 25, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 9/21/2023. (lcrc3) (Entered: 09/21/2023)
10/25/2023	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY.(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 10/25/2023)
10/26/2023		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a proposed briefing schedule by November 9, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 10/26/2023. (lcrc3) (Entered: 10/26/2023)
10/31/2023	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY served on 8/28/2023 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 10/31/2023)
10/31/2023	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE served on 8/28/2023 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 10/31/2023)
10/31/2023	<u>9</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/1/2023. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 10/31/2023)
10/31/2023	<u>10</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 8/24/2023. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/23/2023. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 10/31/2023)
10/31/2023	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Merrick Jason Wayne on behalf of ADVANCE MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS INC. (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 10/31/2023)
11/09/2023	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by ADVANCE MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS INC.. (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 11/09/2023)
11/13/2023		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>12</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ordered that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before November 30, 2023. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on

		11-13-2023. (lcrc3) (Entered: 11/13/2023)
11/30/2023	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 11/30/2023)
12/01/2023		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>13</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ordered that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before January 30, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12-1-2023. (lcrc3) (Entered: 12/01/2023)
12/14/2023		Case directly reassigned to Judge Loren L. AliKhan. Judge Rudolph Contreras is no longer assigned to the case. (rj) (Entered: 12/14/2023)
01/30/2024	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 01/30/2024)
01/31/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report <u>14</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before March 29, 2024. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 01/31/2024. (lc1la2) (Entered: 01/31/2024)
01/31/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 3/29/2024. (zcdw) (Entered: 01/31/2024)
03/27/2024	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Doyle, Patrick) (Entered: 03/27/2024)
03/27/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report <u>15</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before May 22, 2024. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 03/27/2024. (lc1la2) (Entered: 03/27/2024)
03/30/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 5/22/2024. (zcdw) (Entered: 03/30/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>16</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Alane Ballweg on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Patrick Doyle (Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report <u>17</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before July 22, 2024. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 05/22/24. (lc1la2) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/24/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 7/22/2024. (zcdw) (Entered: 05/24/2024)
05/24/2024		ENTERED IN ERROR.....Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 6/11/2024. (zcdw) Modified on 5/24/2024 (zcdw). (Entered: 05/24/2024)
07/22/2024	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 07/22/2024)
07/23/2024		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' joint status report <u>18</u> , it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before September 17, 2024. Signed by Judge Loren L. AliKhan on 07/23/2024. (lc1la2) (Entered: 07/23/2024)
07/23/2024		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 9/17/2024. (zcdw) (Entered: 07/23/2024)

09/17/2024	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Ballweg, Alane) (Entered: 09/17/2024)
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