

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:23-cv-03500-ABJ**

OFFICE OF THE FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER, MIDDLE
DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE v. UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE et al
Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/21/2023
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

**OFFICE OF THE FEDERAL PUBLIC
DEFENDER, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF
TENNESSEE**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/21/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ADCDC-10511945) filed by OFFICE OF THE FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit, # <u>2</u> Summons, # <u>3</u>

		Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons, # <u>5</u> Summons, # <u>6</u> Summons, # <u>7</u> Summons, # <u>8</u> Civil Cover Sheet)(Gutman, Jeffrey) (Entered: 11/21/2023)
11/27/2023		Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (zdp) (Entered: 11/27/2023)
11/27/2023	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to All Defendants, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zdp) (Entered: 11/27/2023)
12/28/2023	<u>3</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Christina O'Tousa on behalf of BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 12/28/2023)
12/28/2023	<u>4</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (O'Tousa, Christina) (Entered: 12/28/2023)
01/02/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>4</u> Motion for Extension of Time to Answer <u>1</u> Complaint. Defendants must respond to the complaint by February 1, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 1/2/2024. (lcabj2) (Entered: 01/02/2024)
01/18/2024	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 12/8/2023 (Gutman, Jeffrey) (Entered: 01/18/2024)
01/18/2024	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. BUREAU OF PRISONS served on 12/6/2023 (Gutman, Jeffrey) (Entered: 01/18/2024)
01/18/2024	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 12/08/2023. (Gutman, Jeffrey) (Entered: 01/18/2024)
01/18/2024	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 12/7/2023. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 1/6/2024. (Gutman, Jeffrey) (Entered: 01/18/2024)
01/22/2024	<u>9</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Kartik Narayan Venguswamy on behalf of BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Substituting for attorney Christina O'Tousa (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 01/22/2024)
02/01/2024	<u>10</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 02/01/2024)
02/02/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure appear to be inapplicable. Defendant must file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, on or before March 1, 2024. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 2/2/2024. (lcabj2) (Entered: 02/02/2024)
03/01/2024	<u>11</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 03/01/2024)
03/04/2024		MINUTE ORDER. In light of defendants' <u>11</u> status report, defendants are ORDERED to file another status report by April 15, 2024. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 3/4/2024. (lcabj2) (Entered: 03/04/2024)
04/15/2024	<u>12</u>	STATUS REPORT by <i>Defendants</i> by BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 04/15/2024)
04/16/2024		MINUTE ORDER. In light of defendants' <u>12</u> status report, defendants are ORDERED to file another status report by May 30, 2024. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 4/16/2024. (lcabj2) (Entered: 04/16/2024)
05/30/2024	<u>13</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 05/30/2024)

05/30/2024		MINUTE ORDER. In light of defendants' <u>13</u> status report, defendants are ORDERED to file another status report by July 30, 2024. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 5/30/2024. (lcabj2) (Entered: 05/30/2024)
07/30/2024	<u>14</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF PRISONS, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Venguswamy, Kartik) (Entered: 07/30/2024)
07/31/2024		MINUTE ORDER. In light of defendants' <u>14</u> status report, defendants are ORDERED to file another status report by September 30, 2024. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 7/31/2024. (lcabj2) (Entered: 07/31/2024)
09/16/2024	<u>15</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Law Student Appearance by OFFICE OF THE FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE (Gutman, Jeffrey) Modified event type and docket text on 9/17/2024 (zdp). (Entered: 09/16/2024)
09/19/2024	<u>16</u>	ORDER granting <u>15</u> Motion for Leave to Appear. See Order for details. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 9/19/2024. (lcabj2) (Entered: 09/19/2024)