

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-00992-CJN**

ABISSI et al v. UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND
IMMIGRATION SERVICES

Assigned to: Judge Carl J. Nichols

Case in other court: Maryland, 1:23-cv-03176

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

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Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/21/2023	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against USCIS (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number AMDDC-10941158.), filed by TAGBA ABISSI. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons)(Cleveland, David) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 11/21/2023)
11/22/2023	<u>2</u>	Summons Issued 60 days as to United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons, # <u>2</u> Summons) (hmls, Deputy Clerk) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 11/22/2023)
11/26/2023	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Tagba Abissi. United States Citizenship and Immigration Services served on 11/25/2023, answer due 1/24/2024. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit)(Cleveland, David) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 11/26/2023)
11/28/2023	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Tagba Abissi. United States Citizenship and Immigration Services served on 11/27/2023, answer due 1/26/2024. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Affidavit)(Cleveland, David) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 11/28/2023)
11/30/2023	<u>5</u>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Tagba Abissi. United States Citizenship and Immigration Services served on 11/29/2023, answer due 1/29/2024. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit)(Cleveland, David) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 11/30/2023)
11/30/2023	<u>6</u>	Consent to Magistrate Judge (Cleveland, David) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 11/30/2023)
11/30/2023	<u>7</u>	Local Rule 103.3 Disclosure Statement by Tagba Abissi (Cleveland, David) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 11/30/2023)
01/11/2024	<u>8</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time <i>Through January 29, 2024</i> by United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Arnold, Ariana) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 01/11/2024)
01/12/2024	<u>9</u>	ORDER GRANTING <u>8</u> Motion for Extension of Time Through January 29, 2024. Signed by Chief Judge James K. Bredar on 1/12/2024. (hmls, Deputy Clerk) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 01/12/2024)
01/12/2024		Set/Reset Answer Deadlines (hmls, Deputy Clerk) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 01/12/2024)

01/31/2024	<u>10</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time <i>Through February 12, 2024</i> by United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Arnold, Ariana) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 01/31/2024)
02/01/2024	<u>11</u>	ORDER GRANTING <u>10</u> Motion for Extension of Time Through February 12, 2024. Signed by Chief Judge James K. Bredar on 1/31/2024. (hmls, Deputy Clerk) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 02/01/2024)
02/14/2024	<u>12</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time <i>Through Feb 16, 2024</i> by United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Arnold, Ariana) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 02/14/2024)
02/17/2024	<u>13</u>	MOTION to Dismiss <i>or</i> , MOTION to Change Venue by United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 4, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 5, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 6, # <u>7</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Arnold, Ariana) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 02/17/2024)
02/21/2024	<u>14</u>	RESPONSE in Opposition re <u>13</u> MOTION to Dismiss <i>or</i> MOTION to Change Venue filed by Tagba Abissi.(Cleveland, David) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 02/21/2024)
03/06/2024	<u>15</u>	REPLY to Response to Motion re <u>13</u> MOTION to Dismiss <i>or</i> MOTION to Change Venue filed by United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.(Arnold, Ariana) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 03/06/2024)
04/05/2024	<u>16</u>	MEMORANDUM OPINION. Signed by Chief Judge James K. Bredar on 4/4/2024. (kb3s, Deputy Clerk) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 04/05/2024)
04/05/2024	<u>17</u>	ORDER granting <u>12</u> Motion for Extension of Time; granting in part and denying in part <u>13</u> Motion to Dismiss; granting in part and denying in part <u>13</u> Motion to Change Venue ; The Clerk shall Transfer case to The United States District Court for the District of Columbia; The Clerk shall close this case. Signed by Chief Judge James K. Bredar on 4/4/2024. (kb3s, Deputy Clerk) [Transferred from Maryland on 4/8/2024.] (Entered: 04/05/2024)
04/08/2024	<u>18</u>	Case transferred in from District of Maryland; Case Number 1:23-cv-03176. Original file ,transfer order and docket sheet received. (Entered: 04/08/2024)
04/15/2024	<u>19</u>	STANDING ORDER. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on April 15, 2024. (lccjn1) (Entered: 04/15/2024)
04/18/2024	<u>20</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Bradley Silverman on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Ariana W. Arnold (Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 04/18/2024)
04/23/2024	<u>21</u>	MOTION to Stay by UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES. (Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 04/23/2024)
04/29/2024	<u>22</u>	RESPONSE re <u>21</u> MOTION to Stay filed by TAGBA ABISSI. (Cleveland, David) (Entered: 04/29/2024)
05/06/2024	<u>23</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>21</u> MOTION to Stay filed by UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Ex. A – Gatore Order)(Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 05/06/2024)
05/16/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the <u>21</u> Motion to Stay, it is hereby ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED in the interest of judicial efficiency. It is further ORDERED that this matter is STAYED pending the issuance of the opinion in <i>Emuwa v. Department of Homeland Security</i> , No. 22-5153 (D.C. Cir.). It is further ORDERED that that the Parties shall file a joint status report, including a proposal for next steps, within 14 days after the issuance of the opinion. So ORDERED by Judge Carl J. Nichols on May 16, 2024. (lccjn1) (Entered: 05/16/2024)
09/17/2024	<u>24</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES. (Silverman, Bradley) (Entered: 09/17/2024)
10/02/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the Parties' <u>24</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that Plaintiffs shall file their amended complaint on or before

		October 17, 2024, and that Defendant shall file its response to Plaintiffs' complaint on or before January 17, 2025. So ORDERED by Judge Carl J. Nichols on October 2, 2024. (lccjn1) (Entered: 10/02/2024)
10/14/2024	<u>25</u>	NOTICE of Voluntary Dismissal by TAGBA ABISSI (Cleveland, David) (Entered: 10/14/2024)