

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-01224-SLS**

AMERICA FIRST LEGAL FOUNDATION v. DEPARTMENT  
OF EDUCATION  
Assigned to: Judge Sparkle L. Sooknanan  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 04/25/2024  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
04/25/2024	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ( Filing fee \$ 405 receipt number ADCDC-10851184) filed by AMERICA FIRST LEGAL FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit, # <u>2</u> Exhibit, # <u>3</u> Exhibit, # <u>4</u> Exhibit, # <u>5</u> Exhibit, # <u>6</u> Exhibit, # <u>7</u> Exhibit, # <u>8</u> Exhibit, # <u>9</u> Exhibit, # <u>10</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>11</u> Summons, # <u>12</u> Summons, # <u>13</u> Summons)(Meckler, Jacob) (Entered: 04/25/2024)

04/26/2024		Case Assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (znmw) (Entered: 04/26/2024)
04/26/2024	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(znmw) (Entered: 04/26/2024)
04/26/2024	<u>3</u>	STANDARD ORDER for Civil Cases. See text for details. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 26, 2024. (lcldf2) (Entered: 04/26/2024)
05/23/2024	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION served on 5/6/2024 (Meckler, Jacob) (Entered: 05/23/2024)
05/23/2024	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General May 6, 2024. (Meckler, Jacob) (Entered: 05/23/2024)
05/23/2024	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 4/26/2024. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 5/26/2024. (Meckler, Jacob) (Entered: 05/23/2024)
05/28/2024	<u>7</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, <i>with proposed order</i> by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 05/28/2024)
05/28/2024		MINUTE ORDER granting the defendant's <u>7</u> Consent Motion for an Extension of Time to Respond to the Complaint. On or before June 27, 2024, the defendant shall file an answer or otherwise respond to the complaint. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 28, 2024. (lcldf2) (Entered: 05/28/2024)
06/06/2024	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by William Frank Scolinos on behalf of AMERICA FIRST LEGAL FOUNDATION (Scolinos, William) (Entered: 06/06/2024)
06/27/2024	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.(Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 06/27/2024)
06/27/2024		MINUTE ORDER requiring the parties to MEET AND CONFER and file a Meet and Confer report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. The report should address the status of the plaintiff's FOIA request, including the anticipated number of documents responsive to the request and the anticipated date(s) for release of the requested documents. The parties shall file the Meet and Confer report on or before July 29, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on June 27, 2024. (lcldf2) (Entered: 06/27/2024)
07/29/2024	<u>10</u>	MEET AND CONFER STATEMENT. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 07/29/2024)
07/29/2024		MINUTE ORDER. In accordance with the parties' <u>10</u> Meet and Confer statement, the parties are directed to file a joint status report on or before September 30, 2024. Defendant is directed to make its first production on or before August 31, 2024 and further productions according to the standard processing rate of 500 pages per month. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on July 29, 2024. (lcldf2) (Entered: 07/29/2024)
09/17/2024	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Ian Prior on behalf of AMERICA FIRST LEGAL FOUNDATION (Prior, Ian) (Entered: 09/17/2024)
09/30/2024	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 09/30/2024)
10/01/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before December 2, 2024. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on October 1, 2024. (lcldf2) (Entered: 10/01/2024)
12/02/2024	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. (Duffey, Thomas) (Entered: 12/02/2024)

12/04/2024		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report on or before February 3, 2025. So Ordered by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on December 4, 2024. (lcdlf2) (Entered: 12/04/2024)
01/08/2025		Case directly reassigned to Judge Sparkle L. Sooknanan. Judge Dabney L. Friedrich is no longer assigned to the case. (ztnr) (Entered: 01/08/2025)