U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-01364-TSC

PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST v. U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Assigned to: Judge Tanya S. Chutkan Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Date Filed: 05/10/2024 Jury Demand: None_

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST

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V.

Defendant

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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| Date Filed | # | Docket Text |
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| 05/10/2024 | 1 | COMPLAINT against U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (Filing fee \$ 405 receipt number ADCDC-10888890) filed by PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Exhibit A – FOIA 2024–OGC-02034, # 2 Exhibit Exhibit B – FOIA 2024–OGC-02035, # 3 Civil Cover Sheet Civil Cover Sheet, # 4 Summons Summons — U.S. Attorney's Office, # 5 Summons Summons — U.S. Attorney General, # 6 Summons Summons – EPA)(Lawkowski, Gary) (Entered: 05/10/2024) |

| 05/10/2024 | 2 | LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST (Lawkowski, Gary) (Entered: 05/10/2024) |
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| 05/13/2024 | | Case Assigned to Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. (zcb) (Entered: 05/13/2024) |
| 05/13/2024 | <u>3</u> | SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # 1 Notice and Consent)(zcb) (Entered: 05/13/2024) |
| 05/29/2024 | 4 | NOTICE of Appearance by Sian Jones on behalf of All Defendants (Jones, Sian) (Entered: 05/29/2024) |
| 06/06/2024 | <u>5</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Jacob Roth on behalf of PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST (Roth, Jacob) (Entered: 06/06/2024) |
| 06/13/2024 | <u>6</u> | ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.(Jones, Sian) (Entered: 06/13/2024) |
| 06/14/2024 | | MINUTE ORDER: Before the court in this FOIA case are a Complaint and an Answer. The requirements of LCvR 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil procedure appear to be inapplicable. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and propose a schedule for proceeding in this matter. The schedule shall address the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff, whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case, whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case, whether and when either party anticipates filing a dispositive motion, and any other pertinent issues. The parties shall file a joint status report that addresses these issues no later than 7/26/24. The joint status report shall be accompanied by a proposed order. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 6/14/24. (Ice) (Entered: 06/14/2024) |
| 07/26/2024 | 7 | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Jones, Sian) (Entered: 07/26/2024) |
| 07/26/2024 | | MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of 7 Joint Status Report, the parties shall confer and file an additional status report on or before September 24, 2024, and every 60 days thereafter. To the extent the parties seek a change in the status quo, the status report shall be accompanied by a proposed order. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 7/26/24. (Ice) (Entered: 07/26/2024) |
| 09/24/2024 | <u>8</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Jones, Sian) (Entered: 09/24/2024) |
| 11/25/2024 | 9 | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Jones, Sian) (Entered: 11/25/2024) |
| 01/07/2025 | <u>10</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Karin Sweigart on behalf of PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST (Sweigart, Karin) (Entered: 01/07/2025) |
| 01/16/2025 | <u>11</u> | NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST. Attorney Gary Lawkowski terminated. (Lawkowski, Gary) (Entered: 01/16/2025) |
| 01/24/2025 | <u>12</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Jones, Sian) (Entered: 01/24/2025) |