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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS			DEFENDANTS US DEPARTMENT OF STATE						
JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.			U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE						
(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF			COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)						
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)			NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED						
(c) ATTORNEYS (FIRM NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER)			ATTORNEYS (IF KNOWN)						
James F. Peterson									
Judicial Watch, Inc.									
425 Third Street, SW, Suite 800									
Washington, DC 20024									
(202) 646-5172									
			III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (PLACE AN x IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT) FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY!						
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Plaintiff	U.S. Government Not a Party)	Citizen of t	his State				orated or Principal Place iness in This State		~
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	Parties in item III)	Citizen or S	Subject of a	Ο.	0.	Place o	of Business in Another Sta	1e	<u> 2</u>)
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IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT									
(Place an X in one ca	tegory, A-N, that best repro	esents your	Cause of Ac	tion and	one in	a corre	esponding Nature of S	uit)	
O A. Antitrust O B.	Personal Injury/	0 0	. Administ	rative A	gency		O D. Temporary	Restra	ining
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	irplane Product Liability	Social	al Security			Any nature of suit from any category			
	ssault, Libel & Slander		961 HIA (1305ff)			may be selected for this category of case assignment.			
330 Federal Employers Liability 340 Marine			362 Black Lung (923)			assignment	assignment.		
345 Marine Product Liability			863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g))			*(If Antitrust, then A governs)*			
350 Motor Vehicle			364 SSID Title XVI					- 1	
355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability 8			865 RSI (405(g))					I	
260 Other Personal Injury Other			Statutes 391 Agricultural Acts					i	
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O E. General Civil (Other)			F. Pro S		rai Civ	rii			
Real Property 210 Land Condemnation	Bankruptcy 422 Appeal 27 USC 153	R	Forfeiture/		ted Seize	ure of	480 Consumer C	Credit	
220 Foreclosure 422 Appeal 27 USC 158			625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881			490 Cable/Satellite TV			
230 Rent, Lease & Ejectment			690 O		•		850 Securities/C	ommoditi	es/
240 Torts to Land	Prisoner Petitions						Exchange		
245 Tort Product Liability 535 Death Penalty							896 Arbitration		
290 All Other Real Property 540 Mandamus & Other		er	Other Statutes 375 False Claims Act			899 Administrat			
550 Civil Rights			375 False Claims Act 400 State Reapportionment			Act/Review		of	
Personal Property 555 Prison Conditions 560 Civil Detaines - Conditions			430 Banks & Banking			Agency Deci		tata	
370 Other Fraud 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions 371 Truth in Lending of Confinement			450 Commerce/ICC			950 Constitutionality of State Statutes			
371 Truth in Lending of Confinement 380 Other Personal Property			Rates/etc.			890 Other Statutory Actions			
Damage Property Rights			460 Deportation			(if not administrative agency			
385 Property Damage 820 Copyrights			462 Naturalization			review or Pi			
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	871 IRS-Third Party 2	6 USC 7609							

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O G. Habeas Corpus/ 2255	O H. Employment Discrimination	O I. FOIA/Privacy Act	O J. Student Loan						
530 Habeas Corpus – General 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Detainee	442 Civil Rights – Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin, discrimination, disability, age, religion, retaliation)	895 Freedom of Information Act 890 Other Statutory Actions (if Privacy Act)	152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (excluding veterans)						
	(If pro se, select this deck)	*(If pro se, select this deck)*							
O K. Labor/ERISA (non-employment) 710 Fair Labor Standards Act 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations 740 Labor Railway Act 751 Family and Medical Leave Act 790 Other Labor Litigation 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act	L. Other Civil Rights (non-employment) 441 Voting (if not Voting Rights Act) 443 Housing/Accommodations 440 Other Civil Rights 445 Americans w/Disabilities – Employment 446 Americans w/Disabilities – Other 448 Education	110 Insurance 120 Marine 130 Miller Act 140 Negotiable Instrument 150 Recovery of Overpayment Enforcement of Judgment 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits 160 Stockholder's Suits 190 Other Contracts 195 Contract Product Liability	O N. Three-Judge Court 441 Civil Rights – Voting (if Voting Rights Act)						
V. ORIGIN									
O 1 Original O 2 Removed Proceeding from State Court	O 3 Remanded from Appellate Court Reopened		ti-district						
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.) 5 U.S.C. Section 552, "Freedom of Information Act." Defendant is unlawfully withholding public records.									
VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT	CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23 DEMANI	Check Y RY DEMAND: YES	YES only if demanded in complaint						
VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY	(See instruction) YES	NO If yes, p	lease complete related case form						
DATE: 1-22-16	SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RE	CORD							

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET JS-44 Authority for Civil Cover Sheet

The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replaces nor supplements the filings and services of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. Consequently, a civil cover sheet is submitted to the Clerk of Court for each civil complaint filed. Listed below are tips for completing the civil cover sheet. These tips coincide with the Roman Numerals on the cover sheet.

- I. COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF/DEFENDANT (b) County of residence: Use 11001 to indicate plaintiff if resident of Washington, DC, 88888 if plaintiff is resident of United States but not Washington, DC, and 99999 if plaintiff is outside the United States.
- III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES: This section is completed <u>only</u> if diversity of citizenship was selected as the Basis of Jurisdiction under Section II.
- IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT: The assignment of a judge to your case will depend on the category you select that best represents the <u>primary</u> cause of action found in your complaint. You may select only <u>one</u> category. You <u>must</u> also select <u>one</u> corresponding nature of suit found under the category of the case.
- VI. CAUSE OF ACTION: Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of the primary cause.
- VIII. RELATED CASE(S), IF ANY: If you indicated that there is a related case, you must complete a related case form, which may be obtained from the Clerk's Office.

Because of the need for accurate and complete information, you should ensure the accuracy of the information provided prior to signing the form.