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### **U.S. District Court** District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE'#: 1:95-cv-01636-NHJ

LOPEZ v. HUFF, et al

Assigned to: Judge Norma Holloway Johnson

Demand: \$0

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/25/1995 Date Terminated: 06/28/1996

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

### **Plaintiff**

**RAMON LOPEZ** 

V.

#### **Defendant**

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### **Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/25/1995	1	COMPLAINT filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ (JMF) (Entered: 08/29/1995)
08/25/1995		SUMMONS (5) issued to federal party(s) federal defendant RICHARD L. HUFF, federal defendant BONNIE L. GAY, federal defendant JAMES M. MOSTER, federal defendant JANET RENO, federal defendant ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., and non–parties:

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		U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (JMF) (Entered: 08/29/1995)
08/25/1995	2	APPLICATION by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to proceed in forma pauperis (JMF) (Entered: 08/29/1995)
08/25/1995		ORDER by Judge James Robertson granting motion to proceed in forma pauperis [2–1] by RAMON LOPEZ (fiat) (N) (JMF) (Entered: 08/29/1995)
09/07/1995	3	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed upon U.S. Attorney on 8/29/95 (ted) (Entered: 09/08/1995)
09/13/1995	4	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed upon U.S. Attorney General on 9/11/95 (ted) (Entered: 09/14/1995)
09/13/1995	5	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed on 9/11/95 upon federal defendant BONNIE L. GAY (ted) (Entered: 09/14/1995)
09/13/1995	6	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed on 9/11/95 upon federal defendant RICHARD L. HUFF (ted) (Entered: 09/14/1995)
10/03/1995	7	ATTORNEY APPEARANCE for federal defendant RICHARD L. HUFF, federal defendant BONNIE L. GAY, federal defendant JAMES M. MOSTER, federal defendant JANET RENO, federal defendant ERIC H. HOLDEN JR. by Suzanne Claire Nyland (JMF) (Entered: 10/04/1995)
10/03/1995	8	MOTION filed by federal defendant RICHARD L. HUFF, federal defendant BONNIE L. GAY, federal defendant JAMES M. MOSTER, federal defendant JANET RENO, federal defendant ERIC H. HOLDEN JR. to extend time to 10/24/95 to answer complaint [1–1] (JMF) (Entered: 10/04/1995)
10/05/1995	9	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 10/24/95 to answer complaint [1–1] [8–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF; Answer extended to 10/24/95 for ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., for JANET RENO, for JAMES M. MOSTER, for BONNIE L. GAY, for RICHARD L. HUFF (N) (adc) (Entered: 10/05/1995)
10/05/1995	10	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of summons and complaint executed on 9/5/95 upon federal defendant JAMES M. MOSTER (JMF) (Entered: 10/06/1995)
10/12/1995	11	ANSWER TO COMPLAINT [1–1] by federal defendants'. (JMF) (Entered: 10/13/1995)
11/06/1995	12	REQUEST by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to extend time to file any motion or response to the court (JMF) (Entered: 11/07/1995)
11/08/1995	13	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: that the parties submit written reports indicating the status of this case, including information required under local rule 206, not later than 11/30/95; pro se plaintiff LOPEZ is directed to the attached copy of local rule 206. (N) (adc) (Entered: 11/09/1995)
11/15/1995	14	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to file any motion or response to the court [12–1] by RAMON LOPEZ. The plaintiff be, and hereby is, granted an extension of time to 12/5/95 to respond to the Court's Order dated 11/8/95. (N) (adc) (Entered: 11/17/1995)
11/29/1995	15	STATUS REPORT by federal defendant RICHARD L. HUFF, federal defendant BONNIE L. GAY, federal defendant JAMES M. MOSTER, federal defendant JANET RENO, federal defendant ERIC H. HOLDEN JR. (JMF) (Entered: 11/30/1995)
11/30/1995	16	MOTION filed by plaintiff for Vaughn Index. (bjl) (Entered: 12/01/1995)
11/30/1995	17	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ for leave to file an amended complaint; EXHIBIT (amended complaint) (JMF) (Entered: 12/01/1995)
12/04/1995	18	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ for summary judgment Exhibits(4) PURSUANT TO ORDER OF 12/7/95, THIS PLEADING IS STRICKEN FROM THE RECORD (ted) Modified on 12/08/1995 (Entered: 12/05/1995)
12/04/1995	19	MOTION filed by federal defendant for protective order staying all discovery until further order (JMF) (Entered: 12/05/1995)

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12/05/1995	20	STATUS REPORT by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ (ted) (Entered: 12/06/1995)
12/07/1995	21	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: striking motion for summary judgment [18–1] by RAMON LOPEZ (N) (ted) (Entered: 12/08/1995)
12/08/1995	22	MOTION filed by federal defendant to extend time to 2/27/96 to file its opposition to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment (ted) (Entered: 12/11/1995)
12/11/1995	23	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 2/27/96 to file its opposition to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment [22–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF (N) (adc) (Entered: 12/11/1995)
12/18/1995	24	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to hold his motion for summary judgment in abeyance (ted) (Entered: 12/19/1995)
12/18/1995	25	OBJECTIONS by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to motion for protective order staying all discovery until further order [19–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF (ted) (Entered: 12/19/1995)
12/18/1995	26	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ for leave to file a statment of undisputed material facts with his motion for summary judgment; EXHIBIT (ted) (Entered: 12/19/1995)
12/22/1995	27	OBJECTIONS by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to motion to extend time to 2/27/96 to file its opposition to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment [22–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF (ted) (Entered: 12/27/1995)
12/22/1995	28	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ for scheduling order (ted) (Entered: 12/27/1995)
12/27/1995	29	MOTION filed by federal defendants to extend time to 1/12/96 to file responses to plaintiff's motions and objections (ted) (Entered: 12/28/1995)
12/28/1995	30	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 1/12/96 to file responses to plaintiff's motions and objections [29–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF (N) (adc) (Entered: 12/28/1995)
01/02/1996	31	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion for leave to file an amended complaint [17–1] by RAMON LOPEZ; plaintiff be, and hereby is, directed to file the amended complaint no later than 1/23/96. (N) (adc) (Entered: 01/04/1996)
01/02/1996	32	AMENDED COMPLAINT by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ amending complaint [1–1]; Exhibits(7) (ted) (Entered: 01/04/1996)
01/11/1996	33	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ for reconsideration of order [30–1] (ted) (Entered: 01/16/1996)
01/16/1996	34	MOTION filed by federal defendant to extend time to 2/27/96 to respond to plaintiff's motions (ted) (Entered: 01/17/1996)
01/19/1996	35	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 2/27/96 to respond to plaintiff's motions [34–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF (N) (adc) (Entered: 01/19/1996)
02/27/1996	36	RESPONSE by federal defendants to motion for reconsideration of order [30–1] [33–1], motion for scheduling order [28–1], motion for leave to file a statment of undisputed material facts with his motion for summary judgment [26–1], motion to hold his motion for summary judgment in abeyance [24–1], motion for Vaughn Index. [16–1] by RAMON LOPEZ (ted) (Entered: 02/28/1996)
02/27/1996	37	REPLY by federal defendant to plaintiff's opposition to defendants' motion for protective order staying all discovery until further order [19–1] (ted) (Entered: 02/28/1996)

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02/27/1996	38	RESPONSE by federal defendant in opposition to motion for summary judgment by RAMON LOPEZ. (Motion was stricken on 12/7/95); Declaration, Exhibits(11) (ted) (Entered: 02/28/1996)
02/27/1996	39	CROSS MOTIONS by federal defendant to dismiss Executive Office for U.S. Attorney from this case; Declaration, Exhibits(11) (ted) (Entered: 02/28/1996)
02/27/1996	40	MOTION filed by federal defendant to extend time to 4/4/96 for U.S. Customs Service to respond to motion for summary judgment (ted) (Entered: 02/28/1996)
03/04/1996	41	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 4/4/96 for U.S. Customs Service to respond to motion for summary judgment [40–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF dispositive motions due by 4/4/96; response to motion for summary judgment due 4/4/96 (N) (adc) (Entered: 03/05/1996)
03/13/1996	42	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: denying as moot motion for reconsideration of order [30–1] [33–1] by RAMON LOPEZ, denying motion for scheduling order [28–1] by RAMON LOPEZ, granting motion for leave to file a statment of undisputed material facts with his motion for summary judgment [26–1] by RAMON LOPEZ, granting motion to hold his motion for summary judgment in abeyance [24–1] by RAMON LOPEZ, granting motion for protective order staying all discovery until further order [19–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF, staying motion for summary judgment [18–1], denying motion for Vaughn Index. [16–1] by RAMON LOPEZ (N) (adc) (Entered: 03/14/1996)
03/13/1996	43	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: that plaintiff respond to defendants' motion no later than 4/3/96. If plaintiff does not respond, the Court will grant the motion as conceded, and his case will be dismissed. (N) (adc) (Entered: 03/14/1996)
03/25/1996	44	MOTION filed by plaintiff to extend time to respond to defendants motion to dismiss and other motions. (bjl) (Entered: 03/26/1996)
03/29/1996	45	MOTION filed by plaintiff to extend time to 4/14/96 to oppose defendants' declaration of John F. Boseker, defendants' opposition to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment and cross—motion to dismiss and defendant's motion for enlargement of time. (bjl) (Entered: 04/01/1996)
04/03/1996	46	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 4/14/96 to oppose defendants' declaration of John F. Boseker, defendants' opposition to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment and cross-motion to dismiss and defendant's motion for enlargement of time. [45–1] by RAMON LOPEZ, granting motion to extend time to respond to defendants motion to dismiss and other motions. [44–1] by RAMON LOPEZ. Plaintiff be, and hereby is, warned that should he fail to timely respond to defendants' motion, the Court will deem the motion as conceded; and it is further ordered that plaintiff shall have until 4/14/96, to file a statement of undisputed material facts. (N) (adc) (Entered: 04/04/1996)
04/15/1996	47	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: that plaintiff respond to defendant's motion no later than 5/6/96; the plaintiff be, and hereby is, warned that should he fail to respond, the Court will grant the motion as conceded, and his case will be dismissed with respect to defendant U.S. Customs Service. (N) (adc) (Entered: 04/16/1996)
04/15/1996	48	RESPONSE by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ in opposition to cross motion to dismiss Executive Office for U.S. Attorney from this case [39–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF. (JMF) (Entered: 04/16/1996)
04/19/1996	49	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to extend time to 5/13/96 to file his response to defendants' cross—motion to dismiss the Executive Office for the U.S. Attorney's and the statement of indisputed facts (lkn) Modified on 04/25/1996 (Entered: 04/19/1996)
04/22/1996	50	MOTION filed by federal defendant RICHARD L. HUFF, federal defendant BONNIE L. GAY, federal defendant JAMES M. MOSTER, federal defendant JANET RENO, federal defendant ERIC H. HOLDEN JR. to extend time to 5/15/96 to reply to Plaintiff's opposition to the Executive Office for U.S. Attorney's cross—motion to

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		dismiss (lkn) (Entered: 04/23/1996)
04/23/1996	51	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 5/15/96 to reply to Plaintiff's opposition to the Executive Office for U.S. Attorney's cross-motion to dismiss [50–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF (N) (adc) (Entered: 04/23/1996)
04/25/1996	52	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 5/13/96 to file his response to defendants' cross—motion to dismiss the Executive Office for the U.S. Attorney's and the statement of indisputed facts [49–1] by RAMON LOPEZ (N) (adc) (Entered: 04/26/1996)
04/26/1996	53	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to extend time to 6/7/96 to answer U.S. Customs Service's cross–motion for summary judgment (lkn) (Entered: 04/29/1996)
05/03/1996	54	RESPONSE by federal defendants in opposition to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment [39–1]; declaration (1); exhibits (9) (fiat) JOHNSON, J. (ldc) Modified on 05/07/1996 (Entered: 05/07/1996)
05/03/1996	55	CROSS MOTIONS by federal defendant for summary judgment (ldc) (Entered: 05/07/1996)
05/10/1996	56	MOTION filed by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ to hold defendant's cross-motion for summary judgment in abeyance; exhibits (3) (lkn) (Entered: 05/15/1996)
05/15/1996	57	REPLY by federal defendant to plaintiff's opposition to cross motion to dismiss Executive Office for U.S. Attorney from this case [39–1] (JMF) (Entered: 05/16/1996)
06/28/1996	58	MEMORANDUM AND ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting cross motion for summary judgment [55–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF, granting cross motion to dismiss Executive Office for U.S. Attorney from this case [39–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF. That this case be, and hereby is, closed. Any pending motions in this case be, and hereby are, denied as moot. (adc) (Entered: 07/01/1996)
07/15/1996	59	NOTICE OF APPEAL by plaintiff RAMON LOPEZ from order [58–1] entered on: June 28, 1996; in forma pauperis; copies mailed to Suzanne Naylor. (Submitted to Judge Norma Holloway Johnson). (lkn) (Entered: 07/16/1996)
07/15/1996		TRANSMITTED PRELIMINARY RECORD on appeal [59–1] by RAMON LOPEZ to U.S. Court of Appeals (lkn) (Entered: 07/16/1996)
07/22/1996		USCA # 96–5223 assigned for appeal [59–1] by RAMON LOPEZ (lkn) (Entered: 07/23/1996)
07/24/1996	60	CERTIFICATION by Judge Norma H. Johnson: that the appeal in this case is not taken in good faith.(N) (adc) (Entered: 07/24/1996)
08/12/1996	61	MOTION filed by federal defendant to extend time to and including 8/21/96 to file their reply to plaintiff's opposition to the U.S. Customs Service's cross—motion for summary judgment. (lkn) (Entered: 08/13/1996)
08/15/1996	62	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to and including 8/21/96 to file their reply to plaintiff's opposition to the U.S. Customs Service's cross-motion for summary judgment. [61–1] by ERIC H. HOLDEN JR., JANET RENO, JAMES M. MOSTER, BONNIE L. GAY, RICHARD L. HUFF; reply to cross motions due by 8/21/96 (N) (dbw) (Entered: 08/15/1996)
08/20/1996	63	STATUS REPORT by federal defendants. (bjl) (Entered: 08/21/1996)
09/06/1996	64	MOTION filed by plaintiff for reconsideration of its summary dismissal of Plaintiff's action or for clarification as to the correct status of plaintiff's civil action. (bjl) (Entered: 09/09/1996)
10/22/1996	65	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: denying motion for reconsideration of its summary dismissal of Plaintiff's action or for clarification as to the correct status of plaintiff's civil action [64–1] by RAMON LOPEZ (N) (adc) (Entered: 10/23/1996)

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09/24/1997	CERTIFIED COPY of order filed in USCA dated 7/31/97, on appeal [59–1],
	affirming the judgment of USDC . USCA # 95–1636 (cjp) (Entered: 09/25/1997)