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# U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:93-cv-01126-EGS

SOSA v. FBI, et al

Assigned to: Judge Emmet G. Sullivan

Demand: \$0

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 06/04/1993 Date Terminated: 04/10/1998

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/04/1993	1	COMPLAINT filed; exhibits A through F. (bm) (Entered: 06/07/1993)
06/04/1993		SUMMONS (4) issued to federal party(s) defendants FBI, DOJ and non-parties: U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (bm) (Entered: 06/07/1993)
06/04/1993	2	MOTION filed by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to proceed in forma pauperis; affidavit in support. (bm) (Entered: 06/07/1993)
06/04/1993		ORDER by Judge John H. Pratt granting motion to proceed in forma pauperis [2–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (fiat) (N) (bm) (Entered: 06/07/1993)
06/09/1993	4	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT executed upon U. S. Attorney on 6/9/93 (dmb) (Entered: 06/14/1993)
06/10/1993	3	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT executed upon U. S. Attorney General on 6/9/93 (dmb) (Entered: 06/14/1993)
06/23/1993	5	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT executed upon defendant FBI on 6/11/93 via certified mail; attachment. (bm) (Entered: 06/24/1993)
06/23/1993	6	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT executed upon Pedro Solis Sosa on 6/11/93 (dmb) (Entered: 06/29/1993)
06/28/1993	7	ATTORNEY APPEARANCE for defendant FBI, defendant DOJ by GERALD B. ROEMER, Office of Information and Privacy, DOJ, 10th and Constitution Ave., N.W. Room 7238, Washington, D.C. 20530, 202/616–5491 (lpp) (Entered: 07/07/1993)
07/09/1993	8	ANSWER for defendant DOJ, defendant FBI (bm) (Entered: 07/13/1993)
10/01/1993	9	NOTICE by plaintiff(s) PEDRO SOLIS SOSA counsel of certificate by counsel to appear, file papers and practice pursuant to rule 104(g) (dmb) (Entered: 10/05/1993)

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10/25/1993	10	MOTION filed by plaintiff to expedite FOIA determination or, alternatively, to stay state court habeas corpus proceedings; Appendices (13) (ab) (Entered: 10/26/1993)
10/29/1993	11	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF in support of his motion to expedite FOIA determination [10–1], motion to stay state court habeas corpus proceedings [10–2] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA; attachments (2) (dmb) (Entered: 11/02/1993)
11/01/1993	12	RESPONSE by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI in opposition to motion to expedite FOIA determination or, alternatively, to stay State Court Habeas Corpus proceedings [10–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA . (bm) (Entered: 11/02/1993)
11/04/1993	13	REPLY by plaintiff(s) PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to defendants' memorandum of points and authorities in partial opposition to motion to expedite FOIA determination [10–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, motion to stay state court habeas corpus proceedings; exhibits (A–E) [10–2] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (dmb) (Entered: 11/05/1993)
11/04/1993	14	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: denying motion to expedite FOIA determination [10–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, and motion to stay state court habeas corpus proceedings [10–2] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (N) (adc) (Entered: 11/08/1993)
11/12/1993	15	NOTICE OF FILING by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI, of the declarations of James C. Felix and Fritz Bohne including a Vaughn index regarding all documents pages withheld in part or in full; attachments (2) (dmb) (Entered: 11/15/1993)
12/16/1993	16	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: that the parties shall submit, by 1/14/94 written reports indicating the current status of this case (N) (adc) (Entered: 12/16/1993)
01/14/1994	17	REPORT to the Court by defendants. (bjl) (Entered: 01/21/1994)
02/14/1994	18	MOTION filed by defendants for summary judgment; Exhibits (10) BULKY (ab) (Entered: 02/15/1994)
02/25/1994	19	MOTION filed by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to extend time to 3/29/94 to respondd to defendant's motion for summary judgment (bm) (Entered: 02/28/1994)
03/01/1994	20	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 3/29/94 to respond to defendant's motion for summary judgment [19–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (N) (adc) (Entered: 03/02/1994)
03/29/1994	21	MOTION filed by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA for a more specific vaughn index; attachments (A–S) BULKY PLEADING (dmb) (Entered: 03/31/1994)
04/08/1994	22	MOTION filed by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI to extend time to 5/6/94 to respond to plaintiff's motion for a more specific Vaughn Index and reply to plaintiff's opposition to defendants' motion for summary judgment. (bm) (Entered: 04/12/1994)
04/12/1994	23	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 5/6/94 to respond to plaintiff's motion for a more specific Vaughn Index and reply to plaintiff's opposition to defendants' motion for summary judgment. [22–1] by FBI, DOJ (N) (adc) (Entered: 04/13/1994)
05/06/1994	24	MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES by defendant FBI, plaintiff(s) PEDRO SOLIS SOSA in opposition to motion for a more specific vaughn index [21–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA; attachments (A–C) and exhibit B (adc) (Entered: 05/09/1994)
05/06/1994	25	REPLY by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI to plaintiff's response to motion for summary judgment [18–1] by FBI, DOJ; Attachments (A–C) and exhibit B (adc) (Entered: 05/09/1994)
05/16/1994	26	MOTION filed by plaintiff to extend time to 6/20/94 respond to those portions of defendants' motion for summary judgment pertaining to documents withheld in their entirety. (bjl) (Entered: 05/18/1994)
05/20/1994	27	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 6/20/94 respond to those portions of defendants' motion for summary judgment pertaining to documents withheld in their entirety. [26–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (N) (adc) (Entered: 05/23/1994)

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06/15/1994	28	UNOPPOSED MOTION filed by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to substitute attorney in charge Joel Schwartz for Jean Terranova TEXAS RESOURCE CENTERA 1206 SAN ANTONIO STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701 (512–320–8300); attachment. (dcn) Modified on 06/17/1994 (Entered: 06/16/1994)
06/15/1994	29	UNOPPOSED MOTION filed by plaintiff(s) PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to extend time to 7/11/94 to respond to those portions of defendants motion for summary judgment pertaining to documents within in their entirety (dcn) (Entered: 06/16/1994)
06/20/1994	30	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to substitute attorney in charge Joel Schwartz for Jean Terranova TEXAS RESOURCE CENTERA 1206 SAN ANTONIO STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701 (512–320–8300) [28–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (N) (adc) (Entered: 06/21/1994)
06/20/1994	31	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to substitute attorney in charge Joel Schwartz for Jean Terranova TEXAS RESOURCE CENTERA 1206 SAN ANTONIO STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701 (512–320–8300) [28–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (N) (adc) (Entered: 06/21/1994)
06/20/1994	32	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 7/1/94 to respond to those portions of defendants motion for summary judgment pertaining to documents within in their entirety [29–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (N) (adc) Modified on 07/05/1994 (Entered: 06/21/1994)
07/01/1994	33	RESPONSE (OPPOSITIONS) by plaintiff(s) PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to defendants' statement of material facts as to which there is no genjine issue, pursuant to LR 108(h) (adc) (Entered: 07/05/1994)
07/01/1994	34	RESPONSE (brief) by plaintiff(s) PEDRO SOLIS SOSA in opposition to motion for summary judgment pertaining to documents withheld in their entirety [18–1] by FBI, DOJ. (adc) (Entered: 07/05/1994)
07/01/1994	35	REASSIGNMENT OF CIVIL CASE from Judge Johnson to Judge Emmet G. Sullivan by direction of the Calendar Committee. Emergency matters will continue to be handled by Judge Johnson until Judge Sullivan takes the oath of office. (N) (mln) (Entered: 07/05/1994)
07/11/1994	36	MOTION (unopposed) filed by defendants DOJ, and FBI to extend time to 8/11/94 in which to reply to plaintiff's brief in opposition to defendants' motion for summary judgment pertaining to documents withheld in their entirety (adc) (Entered: 07/12/1994)
07/14/1994	37	ORDER by Judge Norma H. Johnson: granting motion to extend time to 8/11/94 in which to reply to plaintiff's brief in opposition to defendants' motion for summary judgment pertaining to documents withheld in their entirety [36–1] by FBI, DOJ (N) (adc) (Entered: 07/15/1994)
08/11/1994	38	REPLY by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI to response to motion for summary judgment [18–1] by FBI, DOJ; attachments (2). (tth) (Entered: 08/12/1994)
02/10/1995	39	SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL for defendant DOJ, defendant FBI, substituting Shannon V. Lane for attorney Gerald Brian Roemer for FBI and DOJ (tth) (Entered: 02/13/1995)
02/17/1995	41	ATTORNEY APPEARANCE for plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA by Meredith M. Rountree. (tth) (Entered: 03/02/1995)
02/21/1995	40	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: that Meredith Martin Rountree of the Texas Resource Center, is appointed to represent plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, in the instant matter pursuant ot Local rule 104(g). IT IS SO ORDERED. (N) (kmk) (Entered: 02/23/1995)
09/12/1995	42	MOTION filed by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to withdraw Meredith M. Rountree, Jean Terranova as attorney for PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, and for appointment of substitute counsel; Attachments(3) (ted) (Entered: 09/13/1995)
09/12/1995	43	ATTORNEY APPEARANCE for plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA by Gerald H. Goldstein (dam) (Entered: 09/13/1995)

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09/18/1995	44	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: granting motion to withdraw Meredith M. Rountree, Jean Terranova as attorney for PEDRO SOLIS SOSA [42–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA attorney Meredith M. Rountree for PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, attorney Jean Terranova for PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, granting motion for appointment of substitute counsel [42–2] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (N) (clv) (Entered: 09/18/1995)
10/13/1995	45	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: directing sua sponte, that by no later than 11/15/95 plaintiff shall supplement his motion for summary judgment; defendants response due by 12/15/95; replies due by 12/23/95; (N) (clv) (Entered: 10/13/1995)
10/23/1995	46	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: defendant's supplement to their motion for summary judgment due by 11/30/95; plaintiff's supplement to his motion for a more specific Vaughn Index; responses due by 12/29/95; replies due by 1/8/96; this order supersedes the Court's order dated 10/13/95; (N) (clv) (Entered: 10/23/1995)
11/30/1995	47	SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA in support of motion for a more specific vaughn index [21–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA; exhibits (2). (tth) (Entered: 12/01/1995)
11/30/1995	48	RESPONSE by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA in opposition to motion for summary judgment [18–1] by FBI, DOJ. (tth) (Entered: 12/01/1995)
11/30/1995	49	SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI in support of their motion for summary judgment [18–1] by FBI, DOJ, exhibits (9) (dam) (Entered: 12/04/1995)
12/05/1995	50	NOTICE OF FILING by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI of pages 2, 4, 6, and 8 of of slip opinion to be filed with the supplemental memorandum of points and authorities to the motion for summary judgment filed on 11/30/95 (clv) (Entered: 12/06/1995)
12/08/1995	51	ATTORNEY APPEARANCE for plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA by James Marcus (dam) (Entered: 12/11/1995)
12/27/1995	52	JOINT MOTION by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI, plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to extend the briefing schedule set forth in the Court's Order dated 10/20/95 (dam) (Entered: 12/28/1995)
12/29/1995	53	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: granting joint motion to extend the briefing schedule set forth in the Court's Order dated 10/20/95 [52–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, FBI, DOJ, defendants to file their response to supplemental points and authorities in support of plaintiff's motion for a specific Vaughn Index and in opposition to defendants' motion for summary judgment by by 1/8/96; plaintiff will file his response to motion for summary judgment due 1/16/96; (N) (clv) (Entered: 01/02/1996)
01/11/1996	54	RESPONSE by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to supplemental memorandum [49–1] by FBI, DOJ in support of defendant's motion for summary judgment.; exhibits (5) (dam) (Entered: 01/16/1996)
01/11/1996	55	RESPONSE by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI to supplemental memorandum [47–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA in support of plaintiff's motion for a more specific vaughn index and in opposition to defendants' motion for summary judgment.; exhibits (1) (dam) (Entered: 01/17/1996)
01/16/1996	56	JOINT MOTION by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI, plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to extend time to 1/24/96 to file replies (dam) (Entered: 01/17/1996)
01/18/1996	57	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: granting joint motion to extend time to 1/24/96 to file replies [56–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA, FBI, DOJ (N) (clv) (Entered: 01/18/1996)
01/24/1996	58	REPLY by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI to plaintiff's response to defendants' supplemental memorandum [49–1] in support of defendants' motion for summary judgment by FBI, DOJ. (dam) Modified on 01/25/1996 (Entered: 01/25/1996)
01/24/1996	59	REPLY by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA in support of their motion for a more specific vaughn index [21–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (dam) (Entered: 01/26/1996)

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01/24/1996	60	RESPONSE by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA in opposition to motion for summary judgment [18–1] by FBI, DOJ. (dam) (Entered: 01/26/1996)
05/20/1996	61	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: by 5/27/96, the government shall inform the Court of the security measures required to be in place to enable the Court to conduct an in camera reiew of the documents in question; by 6/10/96, the plaintiff may respond to government' submission; by 6/13/96, the government shall file a reply to plaintiff's submission; (N) (clv) (Entered: 05/20/1996)
05/23/1996	62	JOINT REPORT TO THE COURT by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI, plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA re: a telephonic status conference. (tth) (Entered: 05/24/1996)
05/29/1996	63	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: vacating the order of the Court, dated 5/16/96 (N) (clv) (Entered: 05/29/1996)
06/17/1996	64	NOTICE OF FILING by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI filing the Declaration of Robert A. Moran pursuant to the telephone status conference of 05/16/96.; attachments (1) (dam) (Entered: 06/19/1996)
04/04/1997	65	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: directing the Clerk of the Court to furnish all counsel with a copy of the plaintiff's letter received in chambers on 4/1/97; (N) (clv) (Entered: 04/04/1997)
07/03/1997	66	NOTICE OF FILING by defendant DOJ, defendant FBI to the Court RE: the filing of a letter dated 6/30/97, letter to USDC Judge Sullivan; attachment (bjsp) (Entered: 07/07/1997)
07/07/1997	67	SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL for defendant DOJ, defendant FBI, substituting Elizabeth Ross Withnell for Shannon V. Lane (bjsp) (Entered: 07/09/1997)
04/10/1998	68	MEMORANDUM OPINION by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan (N) (lpp) (Entered: 04/13/1998)
04/10/1998	69	ORDER by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan: granting motion for summary judgment [18–1] by FBI, DOJ; dismissing with prejudice this case from the docket; Judgment is entered for the defendants Federal Bureau of Investigation and the U.S. Department of Justice and against plaintiff Pedro Solis Sosa (N) (lpp) (Entered: 04/13/1998)
04/10/1998	70	JUDGMENT by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan in favor of defendant DOJ against plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (lpp) (Entered: 04/13/1998)
05/08/1998	71	NOTICE OF APPEAL by plaintiff PEDRO SOLIS SOSA from judgment order [70–1], entered on: 4/13/98. (IFP) Copies sent out to Jim Marcus, Elizabeth WIthnell, Pedro Sosa, Gerald GOldstein, James Marcus, (bjsp) (Entered: 05/11/1998)
05/11/1998		TRANSMITTED PRELIMINARY RECORD on appeal [71–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA to U.S. Court of Appeals (bjsp) (Entered: 05/11/1998)
05/29/1998		USCA # 98 5168 assigned for appeal [71–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA (bjsp) (Entered: 06/01/1998)
06/30/1998		TRANSMITTED supplemental record on appeal [71–1] by PEDRO SOLIS SOSA USCA No.: 98 5168. (To reflect that the \$105.00 filing fee was paid on 6/26/98) (bjsp) (Entered: 06/30/1998)
08/27/1998	72	CERTIFIED COPY of order filed in USCA dated 08/26/98, on appeal [71–1], dismissing appeal . USCA # 98–5168 (ldc) (Entered: 08/27/1998)