## Exhibit 2



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## Tax Division

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Mr. R. James Valvo III Cause of Action 1919 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Suite 650 Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Valvo III:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act request dated May 19, 2015. The Tax Division's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Unit received your request on May 22, 2015.

We understand from your request that you seek information about:
yourself.
a third party taxpayer (individual).
a third party taxpayer (entity).
the Division's policies or procedures.
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\_\_\_\_\_ other. All records of communication, including but not limited to emails, letters, calendared meeting requests, and text messages, between Eileen Shatz and any DOJ attorney detailed to the White House. The time period for this search is January 2009 to the present.

Your request will be processed by the Tax Division's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Unit. Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.93, a regulation

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promulgated pursuant to subsections (j) and (k) of the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, Tax Division systems of records are exempt from the access provisions of the Privacy Act. Your request, however, will be processed under the standards of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 to provide you with greater access.

Your request will be processed on a first-in, first-out basis. We are notifying you that we will be unable to respond to your request within 20 days because: (1) this is a complex request as either the records potentially responsive to the request are voluminous, and/or (2) the subject is about a criminal case thereby requiring an additional level of review, and (3) the agency's records must be searched and gathered outside of the FOIA/PA Unit's location. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B). Pursuant to 552(a)(6)(B), you are welcomed to contact our office to narrow the scope of the request, or otherwise clarify your request. We appreciate your patience in this matter and will be responding to your request as quickly as possible. Unless special circumstances exist, no FOIA request will be processed out of consecutive order.

Publicly available court documents will not be considered within the scope of your request unless you advise us to the contrary in writing. Of course, inclusion of such material within the scope of your request will increase duplication charges.

Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.3(c), the filing of your request constitutes an agreement to pay fees up to \$25.00. If fees exceed this amount, we will notify you of the estimated fees.

If you seek to narrow the scope of your request, or have would like to otherwise inquire about your request, please refer to the tracking number located on the upper left-hand corner of this letter. Your communications should be directed to Ms. Billie Willis of the FOIA and PA Unit. She can be reached by any of the following ways:

- by telephone at 202 307-0462;
- by regular mail addressed to her at the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Unit, Tax Division, U. S. Department of Justice, P. O. Box 227, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D. C. 20044;
- by fax, 202 514-6866; or

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e-mail at TaxDiv.FOIAPA@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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