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## U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:15-cv-01740-RBW

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION Assigned to: Judge Reggie B. Walton Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Date Filed: 10/20/2015 Date Terminated: 10/04/2016 Jury Demand: None Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

### <u>Plaintiff</u>

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.

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#### **Defendant**

### NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/20/2015	1	COMPLAINT against NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090–4284703) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney for D.C., # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons NARA)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 10/20/2015)
10/20/2015	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 10/20/2015)
10/20/2015		Case Assigned to Judge Reggie B. Walton. (md) (Entered: 10/22/2015)
10/22/2015	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Consent Forms)(zrdj) (Entered: 10/22/2015)
10/29/2015	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by David Michael Glass on behalf of NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (Glass, David) (Entered: 10/29/2015)
11/16/2015	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 10/26/2015. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 11/25/2015.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States

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		Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 10/27/2015., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION served on 11/16/2015 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 11/16/2015)
11/24/2015	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION.(Glass, David) (Entered: 11/24/2015)
11/24/2015	7	ORDER. In accordance with the attached Order, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit to the Court by December 4, 2015, a joint status report, proposing a schedule for the filing of, if any, dispositive motions, oppositions thereto, and replies. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on November 24, 2015. (lcrbw2) (Entered: 11/24/2015)
11/25/2015		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report, proposed schedule, dispositive motions, oppositions, and replies due by 12/4/2015 (mpt) (Entered: 11/25/2015)
12/04/2015	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 12/04/2015)
12/04/2015		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the Joint Status Report, and in light of the parties' consent, it is hereby ORDERED that: (1) the defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before January 19, 2016; (2) the plaintiff shall file its opposition to the defendant's summary judgment motion and/or its cross-motion for summary judgment on or before February 19, 2016; (3) the defendant shall file its reply in support of its summary judgment motion and/or opposition to the plaintiff's cross-motion for summary judgment on or before March 14, 2016; and (4) the plaintiff shall file its reply in support of its summary judgment motion on or before March 28, 2016. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on December 4, 2015. (lcrbw2) (Entered: 12/04/2015)
12/08/2015		Set/Reset Deadlines: Summary Judgment motions due by 1/19/2016; Opposition and Cross Motions due by 2/19/2016, Reply and Opposition to Cross Motion due by 3/14/15, Reply due by 3/14/16. Response to Cross Motions due by 3/14/2016. Reply to Cross Motions due by 3/28/2016. (mpt) (Entered: 12/08/2015)
01/15/2016	2	Unopposed MOTION to Modify <i>Briefing Schedule</i> by NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (Glass, David) (Entered: 01/15/2016)
02/02/2016	<u>10</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Mem. Supp., # <u>2</u> Prop. Order, # <u>3</u> Ex. A, # <u>4</u> LCvR 7(h)(1) Statement)(Glass, David) (Entered: 02/02/2016)
03/02/2016	<u>11</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Modify Briefing Schedule</i> by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 03/02/2016)
03/03/2016		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>11</u> Motion for Extension of Time. Upon consideration of the Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion to Modify Briefing Schedule; Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support Thereof, and in light of the parties' consent, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that the following briefing schedule shall govern future proceedings in this case: (1) the plaintiff's opposition to the defendant's motion for summary judgment and the plaintiff's cross-motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before March 11, 2016; (2) the defendant's reply in support of its motion for summary judgment and opposition to the plaintiff's cross-motion shall be filed on or before April 4, 2016; and (3) the plaintiff's reply in support of its cross-motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before April 18, 2016. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on March 3, 2016. (lcrbw2) (Entered: 03/03/2016)
03/04/2016		Set/Reset Deadlines: Plaintiff's Cross–Motion/opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 3/11/2016; Defendant's Opposition to Cross–Motion/Reply to Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 4/4/2016; Plaintiff's Reply to Opposition to Cross–Motion due by 4/18/2016. (tg) (Entered: 03/04/2016)
03/11/2016	<u>12</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>10</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>and Response</i> to Statement of Facts filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC (Attachments: # <u>1</u>

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		Declaration of Paul J. Orfanedes, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 1, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 2, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 3, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 4, # <u>7</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 5, # <u>8</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 03/11/2016)
03/11/2016	<u>13</u>	Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>and Statement of Material Facts</i> by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Paul J. Orfanedes, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 1, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 2, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 3, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 4, # <u>7</u> Exhibit 3 – Part 5, # <u>8</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 03/11/2016)
03/21/2016		MINUTE ORDER finding as moot 2 Motion to Modify. In light of the Court's March 3, 2016 Minute Order, it is hereby ORDERED that the Defendant's Unopposed Motion to Modify Briefing Schedule and Points and Authorities in Support Thereof is DENIED AS MOOT. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on March 21, 2016. (lcrbw2) (Entered: 03/21/2016)
03/28/2016	<u>14</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Briefing Schedule ( <i>Modification of Existing Schedule</i> ) by NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (Glass, David) (Entered: 03/28/2016)
03/28/2016		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>14</u> Motion for Briefing Schedule. Upon consideration of the Defendant's Unopposed Motion to Modify Briefing Schedule and Points and Authorities in Support Thereof, and in light of the parties' consent, it is hereby ORDERED the motion is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that the briefing schedule established by the Minute Order dated March 3, 2016, is modified to provide that the defendant's combined reply in support of its motion for summary judgment and opposition to the plaintiff's cross-motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before April 18, 2016, and that plaintiff's reply in support of its cross-motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before May 2, 2016. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on March 28, 2016. (lcrbw2) (Entered: 03/28/2016)
03/29/2016		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant's Response to Cross Motions due by 4/18/2016, Plaintiff's Reply in support of its Cross Motion for Summary Judgment due by 5/2/2016. (hs) (Entered: 03/29/2016)
04/18/2016	<u>15</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>10</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>and</i> <i>Opposition to Plaintiff's Cross Motion for Summary Judgment</i> filed by NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Ex. A, # <u>2</u> LCvR 7(h) Resp.)(Glass, David) (Entered: 04/18/2016)
04/18/2016	16	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>13</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>and</i> <i>Statement of Material Facts</i> filed by NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION. (See Docket Entry <u>15</u> to view document). (znmw) (Entered: 04/19/2016)
05/02/2016	<u>17</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>13</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>and Statement of Material Facts</i> filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration (Second) of Paul J. Orfanedes)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 05/02/2016)
09/26/2016	<u>18</u>	ORDER. For the reasons to be set forth in the Memorandum Opinion to be issued by the Court within the next thirty days, absent extraordinary circumstances, the Court will grant the Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 10), and deny the Plaintiff Judicial Watch, Inc.'s Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 13) in a final Order that will be issued contemporaneously with the forthcoming Memorandum Opinion. Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the defendant National Archives and Records Administration's Motion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that the plaintiff Judicial Watch, Inc.'s Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment is DENIED. It is further ORDERED that this Order is not a final Order subject to appeal. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on September 26, 2016. (lcrbw2) (Entered: 09/26/2016)
10/04/2016	<u>19</u>	ORDER. In accordance with the Memorandum Opinion, issued on this same date, it is hereby ORDERED that the defendant National Archives and Records Administration's Motion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that the plaintiff Judicial Watch, Inc.'s Cross–Motion for Summary Judgment is DENIED. It is further ORDERED that this case is CLOSED. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on October 4, 2016. (lcrbw2) (Entered: 10/04/2016)

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10/04/2016	<u>20</u>	MEMORANDUM OPINION. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on October 4, 2016.
		(lcrbw2) (Entered: 10/04/2016)