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CIVIL COVER SHEET

JS-44 (Rev. 6/17 DC)										
I. (a) PLAINTIFFS Benjamin Wittes			DEFENDANTS U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation							
Scott R. Anderson										
(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF 11001 (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)			COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT 11001 (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) 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)							
The Protect Democracy Proje 10 Ware Street Cambridge, MA 02138 202-599-0466	ct, Inc.									
II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (PLACE AN x IN ONE BOX ONLY)		III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (PLACE AN x IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT) FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY!								
1 U.S. Government O 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)		PTF DFT PTF DF						DFT O 4		
		Citizen of A	nother State 2	O 2		ess in This State ated and Principal Place	O 5	O ⁵		
Defendant (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in item III)		Citizen or Subject of a Grant Subject of a Foreign Country Grant Subject of a Grant Subject of a Foreign N			ess in Another State	O 6	O 6			
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IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT (Place an X in one category, A-N, that best represents your Cause of Action and <u>one</u> in a corresponding Nature of Suit)										
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			O C. Administrative Agency Review			O D. Temporary Restraining Order/Preliminary				
410 Antitrust 310 Ai	rplane	151 Medicare Act			Injunction					
315 Airplane Product Liability 320 Assault, Libel & Slander 330 Federal Employers Liability 340 Marine 345 Marine Product Liability 350 Motor Vehicle 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability		Social Security 861 HIA (1395ff) 862 Black Lung (923) 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) 864 SSID Title XVI			Any nature of suit from any category may be selected for this category of case assignment. *(If Antitrust, then A governs)*					
								362 M	360 Other Personal Injury 362 Medical Malpractice 365 Product Liability	
367 H	ealth Care/Pharmaceutical	890 Other Statutory Actions (If Administrative Agency is								
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Personal Injury Product Liability 368 Asbestos Product Liability			Involved)						
O E. General Civil (Other)	OR		F. Pro Se Gen	eral Ci	vil					
Real Property 210 Land Condemnation Bankruptcy 422 Appeal 27 USC 1			Federal Tax Suits 870 Taxes (US plaintiff or		462 Naturalizat Application					
220 Foreclosure 423 Withdrawal 28 US 230 Rent, Lease & Ejectment		2 157	defendant) 871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC		465 Other Immigration Actions					
240 Torts to Land Prisoner Petitions		7609		470 Racketeer Influenced						
245 Tort Product Liability 535 Death Penalty 290 All Other Real Property 540 Mandamus & Other		r	Forfeiture/Penalty		& Corrupt Organization 480 Consumer Credit					
Personal Property 550 Civil Rights 555 Prison Conditions			625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881		490 Cable/Satellite TV					
370 Other Fraud 560 Civil Detainee – Co		(00.04)		850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange						
371 Truth in Lending of Confinement 380 Other Personal Property		Other Statutes			896 Arbitration					
Damage Property Rights		375 False Claims Act 376 Qui Tam (31 USC		;	899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of					
385 Property Damage Product Liability 380 Patent			3729(a))			Agency Decision 950 Constitutionality of State		Stata		
835 Patent – Abbrevi Drug Application 840 Trademark		ed New	400 State Reapportionment 430 Banks & Banking 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc.		Statutes					
					890 Other Statutory Actions (if not administrative agency					
			460 Deportat	ion		review or F	Privacy Ac	ct)		

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O G. Habeas Corpus/ 2255 530 Habeas Corpus – General 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Detainee	O H. Employment Discrimination 442 Civil Rights – Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin, discrimination, disability, age, religion, retaliation)	● I. FOIA/Privacy Act ■ 895 Freedom of Information Act ■ 890 Other Statutory Actious (if Privacy Act)	O J. Student Loan 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	O 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	O M. Contract 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 196 Franchise	N. Three-Judge Court 441 Civil Rights – Voting (if Voting Rights Act)					
V. ORIGIN								
O 1 Original Proceeding from State from Appellate Court Cour								
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.) This is an action brought under 5 U.S.C. § 552 to compel compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.								
VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY								
DATE: May 18, 2018	SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF REC	OF RECORD /s/ Justin Florence						

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 only 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.