

2/6/17

Dear Administrator:

This is an appeal under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

On 1/05/17 I made a FOIA request to ICE for any and all documents, including but not limited to emails, sent by staff ranking GS-15 or above at FOLKSTON PROCESSING CTR/DR JAMES in the Miami Area of Responsibility, concerning a death that took place on 5/4/17 for a detainee who was booked into the facility on 2/6/17.

I also requested any and all documents, including, but not limited to emails, sent by staff ranking GS-15 or above at DALLAS F.O. HOLD in the Dallas Area of Responsibility for a detainee who died on 7/11/17, the same day he was booked in.

Your office has not yet responded to me or provided a tracking number for my request.

It has been over 20 days since I requested these records so I would like to appeal the constructive denial of my request.

I trust that upon re-consideration, you will reverse the decision denying me access to this material and grant my original request.

As I have made this request in the capacity of a journalist and investigator and this information is of timely value, I would appreciate your expediting the consideration of my appeal in every way possible. In any case, I will expect to receive your decision within 20 business days, as required by the statute.

Thank you for your assistance.

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