

Exhibit F



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Fwd: Request for all versions and copies of Matthew Whitaker's OGE 278e and 278-T forms since 10/1/2017 (Intranet Quorum IMA00137157)

Matthew Schafer <matthew.schafer@buzzfeed.com> Thu, Nov 29, 2018 at 11:51 AM
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Ms. McFadden,

My name is Matthew Schafer and I am counsel to BuzzFeed News and its reporter Zoe Tillman.

As you know, Ms. Tillman's request seeking "all versions in the Justice Department's possession of Acting Attorney General Whitaker's financial disclosure reports submitted since October 1, 2017" has been routed to your office. You received that request on November 21, and later acknowledged that request on November 26. In that correspondence, you purported to place it in the "complex" queue.

We contest that Ms. Tillman's request is "complex" in nature. As DOJ guidance explains, "Requests that involve a low volume of records or would be relatively simple to review are designated as 'simple' requests, assigned to their own queue, and processed separately from requests that are more complex." Ms. Tillman's request entails only a few records that simply show a compilation of facts, and, as such, it appears your classification violates your own Agency's guidance on this matter. Therefore, we request that you place the request in the "simple" track consistent with this guidance.

We further request, pursuant to FOIA, an estimated date of completion for this request. Whatever the date, we anticipate that it will be within the statutory time limits set forth in FOIA. We take our commitment to FOIA seriously, and require that government agencies follow the letter of the law as enacted by Congress.

Best,

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