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## **CIVIL COVER SHEET**

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS  Democracy Forward Foundation		Consumer Financial Protection Bureau				
(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LI (EXCEPT IN U.S. P.	LAINTIFF CASES)	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT  (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) Javier M. Guzman Democracy Forward Foundation P.O. Box 34553 Washington, DC 20043 (202) 448-9090		ATTORNEYS (IF KNOWN)				
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!  PIF DFT DFT PTF DFT				
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Defendant (In	dicate Citizenship of	en of Another State 2 2 Incorporated and Principal Place 5 of Business in Another State	<b>O</b> 5			
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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 one in a corresponding Nature of Suit)						
O A. Antitrust		C. Administrative Agency Review  151 Medicare Act  Social Security  861 HIA (1395ff)  862 Black Lung (923)  863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g))  864 SSID Title XVI  865 RSI (405(g))  Other Statutes  891 Agricultural Acts  893 Environmental Matters  890 Other Statutory Actions (If Administrative Agency is Involved)  F. Pro Se General Civil	y tegory ry of			
Real Property 210 Land Condemnation 220 Foreclosure 230 Rent, Lease & Ejectment 240 Torts to Land 245 Tort Product Liability 290 All Other Real Property  Personal Property 370 Other Fraud 371 Truth in Lending 380 Other Personal Property Damage 385 Property Damage Product Liability	Bankruptcy 422 Appeal 27 USC 158 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 15  Prisoner Petitions 535 Death Penalty 540 Mandamus & Other 550 Civil Rights 555 Prison Conditions 60 Civil Detainee – Condit of Confinement  Property Rights 820 Copyrights 830 Patent 835 Patent – Abbreviated Norug Application 840 Trademark	Federal Tax Suits  870 Taxes (US plaintiff or defendant)  871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC 7609  Forfeiture/Penalty 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 690 Other  Other Statutes 375 False Claims Act 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a))  462 Naturalization Application 465 Other Immigration Actions 470 Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Organizati 480 Consumer Credit 490 Cable/Satellite TV 850 Securities/Commodition Exchange 896 Arbitration 899 Administrative Proced Act/Review or Appeal Agency Decision	dure l of tate ons agency			

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O G. Habeas Corpus/ 2255	O H. Employment Discrimination	O I. FOIA/Privacy Act	O J. Student Loan		
530 Habeas Corpus – General 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence 463 Habeas Corpus – Alien Detainee	442 Civil Rights – Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin, discrimination, disability, age, religion, retaliation)	895 Freedom of Information Act 890 Other Statutory Actions (if Privacy Act)	152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (excluding veterans)		
	*(If pro se, select this deck)*	*(If pro se, select this deck)*			
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	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	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 Proceeding Court O 3 Remanded from Appellate Court O 4 Reinstated O 5 Transferred from another district (specify) O 6 Multi-district O 7 Appeal to District Judge from Mag. Judge O 1 Original Proceeding Proceeding O 2 Removed or Reopend or Reopend or Reopend district (specify) O 6 Multi-district O 7 Appeal to District Judge from Mag. Judge					
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.) 5 U.S.C. § 552 (Freedom of Information Act). Defendant is unlawfully withholding public records.					
VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT	CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23  DEMAND JUI	S Check Y YES Check Y YES	YES only if demanded in complaint  NO   NO		
VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY	(See instruction) YES	NO X If yes, p	lease complete related case form		
DATE: 11/7/19 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD /s/ Javier M. Guzman					

## 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.

- 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 <u>only</u> 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.