

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:97-cv-02416-RCL**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. DOC
Assigned to: Chief Judge Royce C. Lamberth
Demand: \$0
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

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Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/17/1997	1	COMPLAINT filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (st) (Entered: 10/22/1997)
10/17/1997		SUMMONS (3) issued to federal party(s) federal defendant DOC , and non-parties: U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (st) (Entered: 10/22/1997)
10/20/1997	2	RULE 109 Certificate of disclosure of corporate affiliations and financial interests by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (st) (Entered: 10/22/1997)
11/24/1997	3	ATTORNEY APPEARANCE for federal defendant DOC by Bruce R. Hegyi (st) (Entered: 11/25/1997)
11/24/1997	4	OBJECTIONS by federal defendant DOC that this case is related to ca #95-133 and 94-1588. (st) (Entered: 11/25/1997)
11/24/1997	5	ANSWER TO COMPLAINT [1-1] by federal defendant DOC . (st) (Entered: 11/25/1997)
11/24/1997	6	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to extend time to 2 day to answer complaint [1-1] (st) (Entered: 11/25/1997)
12/12/1997	7	RESPONSE by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to defendant's objection that this case is a related case to Judicial Watch vs DOC civil action 95 133 and 96 2747 and 97 289 [4-1] by DOC ; exhibits 3 (bjsp) (Entered: 12/15/1997)
12/12/1997	8	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. for attorney fee (bjsp) (Entered: 12/15/1997)
12/31/1997	9	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to extend time to file Meet and Confer Statement to 1/7/98. (st) (Entered: 01/05/1998)
01/06/1998	10	MEET AND CONFER STATEMENT/REPORT PURSUANT TO L.R. 206(d) filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC., federal defendant DOC . (st) (Entered: 01/21/1998)
09/14/1998	11	SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL for federal defendant DOC , substituting Marina Utgoff Braswell for attorney Bruce R. Hegyi for DOC (tw) (Entered: 09/15/1998)
09/29/1998	12	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : denying motion for attorney fee [8-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. and by defendant. (N) (emh) (Entered: 09/29/1998)
09/29/1998	13	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to 2 day to and including 11/24/97 to answer complaint [1-1] [6-1] by DOC (N) (emh) (Entered: 09/29/1998)
09/29/1998	14	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting nunc pro tunc motion to extend time to file Meet and Confer Statement to 1/7/98 . [9-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (N) (emh) (Entered: 09/29/1998)
09/29/1998	15	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : allowing the defendant to file its motion to stay proceedings no later than 10/9/98. (N) (emh) (Entered: 09/29/1998)
10/09/1998	16	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to stay proceedings ; Declaration (1). (ks) (Entered: 10/14/1998)
12/22/1998	17	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : status hearing set for 10:00 1/7/99 ; (N) (lin) (Entered: 12/22/1998)

01/07/1999		STATUS HEARING before Judge Royce C. Lamberth : Reporter: Theresa Sorensen (mon) (Entered: 01/07/1999)
01/07/1999	18	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting plaintiff's oral motion for leave to lave file opposition to defendant's motion to stay; response to motion due 1/21/99 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 01/08/1999)
01/21/1999	19	RESPONSE by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. in opposition to motion to stay proceedings [16-1] by DOC . (st) (Entered: 01/22/1999)
02/01/1999	20	REPLY by federal defendant DOC to response to motion to stay proceedings [16-1] by DOC (st) (Entered: 02/02/1999)
02/01/1999	21	NOTICE OF FILING SUPPLEMENTARY DECLARATION of Daniel J. Rooney by federal defendant DOC (tth) (Entered: 02/03/1999)
04/20/1999	22	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to stay proceedings [16-1] by DOC (N) (lin) (Entered: 04/29/1999)
08/16/1999	23	RESPONSE by federal defendant DOC to order [22-1] submitting declaration of Daniel J. Rooney (st) (Entered: 08/18/1999)
10/04/1999	24	NOTICE OF FILING by federal defendant DOC of supplemental declaration of Daniel J. Rooney. (tw) (Entered: 10/05/1999)
11/02/2001	25	STATEMENT filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC., regarding: curtailment of mail delivery. (nmr) (Entered: 11/05/2001)
11/16/2001	<u>26</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth: that all dispositive motions be filed not later than 30 days from this date. (N) (kmk) (Entered: 11/16/2001)
12/17/2001	27	JOINT MOTION by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC., federal defendant DOC to amend order the briefing schedule set forth in the Court's November 16, 2001 Order [26-1], order [26-2] ; Declarations (2) (tth) (Entered: 12/18/2001)
12/26/2001	<u>28</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting joint motion to amend order the briefing schedule set forth in the Court's November 16, 2001 Order [26-1], order [26-2] [27-1] by DOC, JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. with respect to all agencies preparing Vaughn indices, with the exception of the Department of State; cross motion for summary judgment due 3/15/02 ; response to cross motion for summary judgment due 4/5/02 ; reply to cross motion for summary judgment due 4/19/02 ; motion for summary judgment due 2/15/02 ; response to motion for summary judgment due 3/15/02; reply motion for summary judgment due 4/5/02. The Department of State shall file motion for summary judgment on or before 5/15/02; plaintiff shall file an oppostion to motion for summary judgment and cross motion for summary judgment on or before 6/14/02; on or before 7/5/02 defendant shall file it opposition/repy and on or before 7/19/02, plaintiff shall file its reply brief (N) (adc) (Entered: 12/26/2001)
01/11/2002	29	STATEMENT filed by federal defendant DOC, regarding: mail service at U.S. Attorney's Office. (nmr) (Entered: 01/14/2002)
01/29/2002	30	ERRATA by federal defendant DOC filing a corrected version of the Second Declaration of Margaret P. Grafeld, which was originally filed on 12/17/02, with the parties' joint motion to amend the briefing schedule; Declaration (1). (nmr) (Entered: 01/30/2002)
02/15/2002	31	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to extend time to 3/8/02 to file defendant's dispositive motion as to all agencies preparing Vaughn indices in this case, with exeption to the Department of State (nmr) (Entered: 02/19/2002)
03/04/2002	<u>32</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to 3/8/02 to file defendant's dispositive motion as to all agencies preparing Vaughn indices in this case, with exeption to the Department of State [31-1] by DOC dispositive motions due by 3/8/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 03/04/2002)
03/06/2002	33	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to extend time to 3/15/02 to file a dispositive motion (nmr) (Entered: 03/07/2002)

03/11/2002	<u>34</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to 3/15/02 to file a dispositive motion [33-1] by DOC dispositive motions due by 3/15/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 03/11/2002)
03/13/2002	35	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to further extend time to 3/21/02 to file defendant's dispositive motion (nmr) (Entered: 03/14/2002)
03/20/2002	36	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to further extend time to 4/19/02 to file defendant's dispositive motion (nmr) (Entered: 03/21/2002)
04/19/2002	37	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to extend time to 5/3/02 to file dispositive motion (nmr) (Entered: 04/22/2002)
04/23/2002	<u>38</u>	ORDER nunc pro tunc by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to further extend time to 3/21/02 to file defendant's dispositive motion [35-1] by DOC (N) (mon) (Entered: 04/23/2002)
04/23/2002	<u>39</u>	ORDER nunc pro tunc by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to further extend time to 4/19/02 to file defendant's dispositive motion [36-1] by DOC (N) (mon) (Entered: 04/23/2002)
04/23/2002	<u>40</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to 5/3/02 to file dispositive motion [37-1] by DOC dispositive motions due by 5/3/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 04/23/2002)
05/01/2002	41	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to further extend time to 7/12/02 to file a dispositive motion as to the Department of State ; Exhibit (1) (nmr) (Entered: 05/02/2002)
05/03/2002	42	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC for summary judgment ; Declarations (22); Exhibits (nmr) (Entered: 05/06/2002)
05/08/2002	<u>43</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to further extend time to 7/12/02 to file a dispositive motion as to the Department of State [41-1] by DOC dispositive motions due by 7/12/02 . (N) (mon) (Entered: 05/08/2002)
05/17/2002	44	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to extend time to 6/17/02 to file response to Defendant's motion for summary judgment (mpt) (Entered: 05/20/2002)
06/04/2002	<u>45</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to 6/17/02 to file response to Defendant's motion for summary judgment [44-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. response to motion for summary judgment due 6/17/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 06/06/2002)
06/17/2002	46	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to extend time to for an additional thirty-days to file opposition to defendant's motion for summary judgment (mpt) Modified on 06/18/2002 (Entered: 06/18/2002)
07/12/2002	47	MOTION (SECOND) filed by federal defendant DOC for summary judgment ; declaration (1); exhibits (3) (mpt) (Entered: 07/15/2002)
07/15/2002	<u>48</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to for an additional thirty-days to file opposition to defendant's motion for summary judgment [46-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. response to motion for summary judgment due 7/17/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 07/15/2002)
07/15/2002	49	ERRATA by federal defendant DOC; Re: Corrected copy of order accompanying defendant's second motion for summary judgment; declaration (1) (mpt) (Entered: 07/16/2002)
07/17/2002	50	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to extend time to 7/24/02 to file opposition to defendant's motion for summary judgment (mpt) (Entered: 07/18/2002)
07/24/2002	51	RESPONSE by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. in opposition to motion for summary judgment [47-1] by DOC; attachment (1) . (mpt) (Entered: 07/25/2002)
07/31/2002	52	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to extend time to 8/29/02 to file opposition to defendant's Second Motion for Summary Judgment (mpt)

		(Entered: 08/01/2002)
08/02/2002	53	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to extend time to 9/30/02 to respond to plaintiff's opposition to defendant's first and second dispositive motions (mpt) (Entered: 08/05/2002)
08/07/2002	<u>54</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting nunc pro tunc motion to extend time to 7/24/02 to file opposition to defendant's motion for summary judgment [50-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (N) (mon) (Entered: 08/07/2002)
08/07/2002	<u>55</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to 9/30/02 to respond to plaintiff's opposition to defendant's first and second dispositive motions [53-1] by DOC reply to dispositive motions due by 9/30/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 08/08/2002)
08/07/2002	<u>56</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time to 8/29/02 to file opposition to defendant's Second Motion for Summary Judgment [52-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. response to dispositive motions due by 8/29/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 08/08/2002)
08/29/2002	57	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to extend time for one week to file opposition to defendants second motion for summary judgment (bcs) (Entered: 08/30/2002)
09/03/2002	<u>58</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting motion to extend time for one week to file opposition to defendants second motion for summary judgment [57-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. response to motion for summary judgment due 9/6/02 ; reply to motion for summary judgment due by 10/7/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 09/03/2002)
09/06/2002	59	MOTION filed by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. to extend time to 9/13/02 to file opposition to second motion for summary judgment (mpt) (Entered: 09/09/2002)
09/13/2002	60	RESPONSE by plaintiff JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. in opposition to (second) motion for summary judgment [47-1] by DOC; exhibit (1) . (mpt) (Entered: 09/16/2002)
09/24/2002	<u>61</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting nunc pro tunc motion to extend time to 9/13/02 to file opposition to second motion for summary judgment [59-1] by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. reply motion for summary judgment due by 10/21/02 ; (N) (mon) (Entered: 09/25/2002)
10/18/2002	62	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to extend time to 10/30/02 to respond to plaintiff's opposition to defendant's first and second dispositive motions (mpt) (Entered: 10/21/2002)
10/29/2002	63	MOTION filed by federal defendant DOC to extend time to 11/5/02 to respond to plaintiff's opposition to defendant's first and second dispositive motions (mpt) (Entered: 10/30/2002)
11/05/2002	64	REPLY by federal defendant DOC to response in opposition to motion for summary judgment [42-1] by DOC; exhibit (1) (mpt) (Entered: 11/06/2002)
11/05/2002	65	REPLY by federal defendant DOC to response in opposition to (second) motion for summary judgment [47-1] by DOC; declaration (1) (mpt) (Entered: 11/06/2002)
11/07/2002	<u>66</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting nunc pro tunc motion to extend time to 10/30/02 to respond to plaintiff's to defendant's first and second dispositive motions [62-1] by DOC (N) (mon) (Entered: 11/07/2002)
11/07/2002	<u>67</u>	ORDER by Judge Royce C. Lamberth : granting nunc pro tunc motion to extend time to 11/5/02 to respond to plaintiff's opposition to defendant's first and second dispositive motions [63-1] by DOC (N) (mon) (Entered: 11/08/2002)
11/25/2003	<u>68</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by James F. Peterson on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 11/25/2003)

11/25/2003	<u>69</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Paul J. Orfanedes on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 11/25/2003)
09/30/2004	<u>70</u>	MEMORANDUM AND OPINION. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 9/30/2004. (lcrcl1) (Entered: 09/30/2004)
09/30/2004	<u>71</u>	ORDER granting 42 Motion for Summary Judgment, granting 47 Motion for Summary Judgment . Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 9/30/2004. (lcrcl1) (Entered: 09/30/2004)
10/29/2004	<u>72</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Application for Attorney's Fees and Other Relief</i> by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 10/29/2004)
10/29/2004	73	MINUTE ORDER granting <u>72</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File. Plaintiff shall have until November 12, 2004 to file any filing invited in the Court's September 30, 2004 Order. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 10/29/2004. (lcrcl1,) (Entered: 10/29/2004)
10/29/2004		Set/Reset Deadlines: Any filing invited in Court's order of 9/30/04 is due by 11/12/2004. (mon,) (Entered: 11/01/2004)
11/12/2004	<u>74</u>	Second MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Other Relief</i> by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u>)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 11/12/2004)
11/15/2004	75	MINUTE ORDER granting <u>74</u> Unopposed Second Motion for Extension of Time to File. Plaintiff shall have until November 17, 2004 to file any filing invited in the Court's September 30, 2004 Order. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 11/15/2004. (lcrcl1,) (Entered: 11/15/2004)
11/15/2004		Set/Reset Deadlines: Plaintiff's Response,if any, to Court's 9/30/04 order is due by 11/17/2004 (mon,) (Entered: 11/17/2004)