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FOIPA Request No.: 1344111-000
Subject: Vexsome filer list of FOIA requesters

Dear Mr. Webster:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552. Deletions have been made to protect information which is exempt from disclosure, with the appropriate exemptions noted on the page next to the excision. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted in the file to indicate where pages were withheld entirely. The exemptions used to withhold information are marked below and explained on the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions:

Section 552		Section 552a
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<input type="checkbox"/> (b)(2)	<input type="checkbox"/> (b)(7)(B)	<input type="checkbox"/> (j)(2)
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6 pages were reviewed and 6 pages are being released.

☐ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government Agency (ies) [OGA].

☐ This information has been referred to the OGA(s) for review and direct response to you.

☐ We are consulting with another agency. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is completed.

☐ In accordance with standard FBI practice and pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552/552a (b)(7)(E)/(j)(2)], this response neither confirms nor denies the existence of your subject's name on any watch lists.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

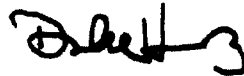
You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing ogis@nara.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipaquestions@ic.fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

☒ The enclosed material is from the main investigative file(s) in which the subject(s) of your request was the focus of the investigation. Our search located additional references, in files relating to other individuals, or matters, which may or may not be about your subject(s). Our experience has shown when ident, references usually contain information similar to the information processed in the main file(s). Because of our significant backlog, we have given priority to processing only the main investigative file(s). If you want the references, you must submit a separate request for them in writing, and they will be reviewed at a later date, as time and resources permit.

☒ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

It is unnecessary to adjudicate your fee waiver request because there are no assessable fees. This material is being provided to you at no charge.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

Requester	Pages
SHAPIRO, RYAN	645,177
NICHTER, LUKE	312,906
CECIL , MATTHEW	132,960
GRIFFEY, TREVOR	123,819
DUGARD, JUSTIN	103,236

Requester	Total IP Cases
HIGGINS, PARKER	657
KLIPPENSTEIN, KEN	504

[redacted] (RMD) (CON)

From: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, October 03, 2016 10:21 AM
To: [redacted] (RMD) (CON)
Cc: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: High Volume Team (HVT) --- UNCLASSIFIED

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SentinelCaseId: NON-RECORD

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

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Please import the e-mail below to address the second portion of the vexsome filer list requests.

Thank you,

[redacted]
Management and Program Analyst
RIDS Front Office
Records Management Division
Phone: [redacted]

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Isaiah 40:31

From: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2016 1:43 PM
To: HARDY, DAVID (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: High Volume Team (HVT) --- UNCLASSIFIED

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From: HARDY, DAVID (RMD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2016 9:56 AM

To: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI);
[redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: High Volume Team (HVT) --- UNCLASSIFIED

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From: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2016 11:49 AM

To: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)

Cc: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI); HARDY, DAVID (RMD) (FBI);

[redacted] (RMD) (FBI); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)

Subject: High Volume Team (HVT) --- UNCLASSIFIED

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See the data below on the current HVT members.

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Please let us know your recommendation so the team can make the appropriate changes operationally.

Thoughts,

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HVT List February FY 2016

Requester	Total Cases	Total IP Cases	Percent of Total Cases	Percent of Current IP Pending	Submitted Since January	Submitted Within Fiscal Year
KLIPPENSTEIN, KEN	413	396	0.062	13%	141	476
HIGGINS, PARKER	195	191	0.029	6%	133	296
DILLON, LAUREN	179	179	0.027	6%	180	180

RAVNITZKY, MICHAEL	136	112	0.020	4%	137	150
LEOPOLD, JASON	74	53	0.011	2%	32	71
DUGARD, JUSTIN	150	31	0.022	1%	12	74
BOUCHARD, MICHAEL	25	25	0.004	1%	2	54
CARBONI, RYAN	39	22	0.006	1%	8	55
GILLETTE, AARON	20	19	0.003	1%	47	48
BEST, MICHAEL (NOT STAFF)	20	19	0.003	1%	22	44
GALLAGHER, CONOR	38	17	0.006	1%	10	51
O'BRIEN, ALEXA	32	26	0.005	1%	22	31
GREENEWALD, JOHN	22	15	0.003	0%	26	40
MILWICKI, ALON	18	12	0.003	0%	1	41
CECIL, MATTHEW	80	14	0.012	0%	0	7
NICHTER, LUKE	55	12	0.008	0%	7	16
SCHMITT, GAVIN	50	11	0.007	0%	6	16
NOVACK, PAUL	13	9	0.002	0%	2	34
HERGUTH, ROBERT	15	15	0.002	0%	17	17
EDWARDS, WESLEY	11	11	0.002	0%	11	12
BOWEN, PATRICK	17	7	0.003	0%	5	21
PECK, MARTIN (NOT STAFF)	12	7	0.002	0%	2	9
LEIGHTON, JARED	20	6	0.003	0%	6	16
HOLLAND, MARK	20	6	0.003	0%	4	14
GREEN, WILLIAM	19	5	0.003	0%	4	10
GAGE, BEVERLY	16	4	0.002	0%	1	3
GRIFFEY, TREVOR	20	1	0.003	0%	0	0

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