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Re: Appeal No. A-2022-01240
Request No. 22-00549-F
CDT:KHK

VIA: Online Portal - 7/11/2022

Dear William Fernandes:

You appealed from the action of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) on your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for access to records concerning OPR investigation reports referred to the Board of Professional Conduct for disciplinary recommendations for the years 2015-2019. I note that your appeal concerns DEA's categorical withholding of responsive records pursuant to Exemption (7)(C).

After carefully considering your appeal, and as a result of discussions between DEA personnel and this Office, I am remanding your request to DEA for a search for responsive records. If DEA locates releasable records, it will send them to you directly, subject to any applicable fees. You may appeal any future adverse determination made by DEA. If you would like to inquire about the status of this remanded request or to receive an estimated date of completion, please contact DEA directly at (571) 776-2300.

If you have any questions regarding the action this Office has taken on your appeal, you may contact this Office's FOIA Public Liaison for your appeal. Specifically, you may speak with the undersigned agency official by calling (202) 514-3642.

If you are dissatisfied with my action on your appeal, the FOIA permits you to file a lawsuit in federal district court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(B).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christina D. Troiani".

X

Christina D. Troiani

Associate Chief, for Matthew W. Hurd, Chief,
Administrative Appeals Staff