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William Fernandes

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Re: Appeal No. A-2024-00501

Request No. NFP-139762

VIA: Online Portal - 03/15/2024

Dear William Fernandes:

This responds to your correspondence received by this Office on December 18, 2023, which I am construing as a request that this Office reconsider its decision on your appeal, Appeal No. A-2022-01587, from the action of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request No. NFP-139762. Please be advised that when seeking future reconsiderations of OIP's actions on an appeal, requests for reconsideration should be sent to doj.oip.foia@usdoj.gov.

After carefully considering this matter, I have determined that this Office's original decision, as outlined by letter dated October 27, 2022, was appropriate. Accordingly, I am closing your appeal file in this Office.

If you remain dissatisfied with my action on your appeal, you may file a lawsuit as indicated by this Office's letter dated October 27, 2022.

Sincerely,

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Christina Troiani Chief, Administrative Appeals Staff



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December 18, 2023

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Dear William Fernandes:

This is to advise you that the Office of Information Policy of the U.S. Department of Justice received your administrative appeal from the action of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding Request No. NFP-139762-001 on 12/18/2023.

In an attempt to afford each appellant equal and impartial treatment, OIP has adopted a general practice of assigning appeals in the approximate order of receipt. Your appeal has been assigned number A-2024-00501. Please refer to this number in any future communication with OIP regarding this matter. Please note that if you provided an email address or another electronic means of communication with your request or appeal, this Office may respond to your appeal electronically even if you submitted your appeal to this Office via regular U.S. Mail.

We will notify you of the decision on your appeal as soon as we can. If you have any questions about the status of your appeal, you may contact me at 202-514-3642. If you have submitted your appeal through Freedom of Information Act STAR, you may also check the status of your appeal by logging into your account.

Sincerely, PrisciUa Jones

Priscilla Jones Supervisory Administrative Specialist



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June 25, 2022

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Dear William Fernandes:

This is to advise you that the Office of Information Policy (OIP) of the U.S. Department of Justice received your administrative appeal from the action of the FBI regarding Request No. NFP-139762 on 06/25/2022.

In an attempt to afford each appellant equal and impartial treatment, OIP has adopted a general practice of assigning appeals in the approximate order of receipt. Your appeal has been assigned number A-2022-01587. Please refer to this number in any future communication with OIP regarding this matter. Please note that if you provided an email address or another electronic means of communication with your request or appeal, this Office may respond to your appeal electronically even if you submitted your appeal to this Office via regular U.S. Mail.

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Sincerely,

Priscilla Jones

Priscilla Jones Supervisory Administrative Specialist

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

June 23, 2022



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> FOIPA Request No.: NFP-139762 Subject: Records of payments received to the FBI for FOIA requests (Documents from DIOG, MOAP, FOIA Greenbook)

Dear Mr. Fernandes:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request.

The FOIA does not require federal agencies to answer inquiries, create records, conduct research, or draw conclusions concerning queried data. Rather the FOIA requires agencies to provide access to reasonably described, nonexempt records. The questions posed in the referenced letter are not FOIA requests because they do not comply with the FOIA and its regulations. Therefore, your request is being administratively closed.

For questions on how to reasonably describe your request, please email us at <u>foipaquestions@fbi.gov</u>. You may also visit <u>www.fbi.gov</u> and select "Services," "Information Management," and "Freedom of Information/Privacy Act" for additional guidance.

If you are not satisfied with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days of the date of my response to your request. 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 it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at <u>ogis@nara.gov</u>; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing <u>foipaquestions@fbi.gov</u>. 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 it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

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Michael G. Seidel Section Chief Record/Information Dissemination Section Information Management Division