

**U.S. District Court  
Northern District of Ohio (Toledo)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:15-cv-00833-JZ**

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic et al  
v. United States Customs and Border Protection  
Assigned to: Judge Jack Zouhary  
Case in other court: Ohio Southern, 2:14-cv-02329  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 04/28/2015  
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Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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<b>Date Filed</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Docket Text</b>
11/18/2014	<a href="#">1</a>	COMPLAINT <i>for Injunctive Relief</i> against All Defendants ( Filing fee \$ 400 paid - receipt number: 0648-4816246), filed by The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic, Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc.. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Civil Cover Sheet, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit FOIA Request) (Akbar, Amna) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 11/18/2014)
11/19/2014	<a href="#">2</a>	ORDER REASSIGNING CASE. Case reassigned to Judge Gregory L. Frost for all further proceedings. Judge Edmund A Sargus no longer assigned to case. Signed by Judge Edmund A Sargus on 11/19/2014. (dh1) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 11/19/2014)
11/21/2014	<a href="#">3</a>	Compliance forms regarding Local Rule 83.6 signed by Judge Gregory L. Frost on 11/21/14. (sem1) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 11/21/2014)
11/25/2014	<a href="#">4</a>	NOTICE by Plaintiffs Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc., The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic <i>Summons</i> (Akbar, Amna) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 11/25/2014)
11/26/2014	<a href="#">5</a>	Summons Issued as to United States Customs and Border Protection (kk2) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 11/26/2014)
12/03/2014	<a href="#">6</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Eugenio Mollo, Jr for Plaintiffs Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc., The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic (Mollo, Eugenio) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 12/03/2014)
12/03/2014	<a href="#">7</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Mark R Heller for Plaintiffs Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc., The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic (Heller, Mark) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 12/03/2014)
12/03/2014	<a href="#">8</a>	Corporate Disclosure Statement by Plaintiff Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc.. (Heller, Mark) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 12/03/2014)
01/07/2015	<a href="#">9</a>	STIPULATION <i>Stipulated Extension of Time for Defendant to Respond to Plaintiffs' Complaint</i> by Defendant United States Customs and Border Protection. (Stark, John) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 01/07/2015)
01/07/2015		Reset Deadlines: Dft's answer due 1/29/2015. (sln1) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 01/08/2015)
01/29/2015	<a href="#">10</a>	MOTION to Change Venue by Defendant United States Customs and Border Protection. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A, Muniz-Muniz Amended Complaint, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit B, Muniz-

		Muniz Docket Sheet, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit C, Muniz-Muniz Stipulated Protective Order) (Stark, John) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 01/29/2015)
01/30/2015	<a href="#">11</a>	ORDER - re <a href="#">10</a> Motion to Change Venue, filed by United States Customs and Border Protection, Non oral hearing on Motion set for 3/16/2015 08:00 AM before Judge Gregory L. Frost. Signed by Judge Gregory L. Frost on 1/30/15. (kn) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 01/30/2015)
02/18/2015	<a href="#">12</a>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply as to <a href="#">10</a> MOTION to Change Venue New date requested 2/26/2015. by Plaintiff The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic. (Cooke, Elizabeth) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 02/18/2015)
02/18/2015		NOTICE re <a href="#">12</a> MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply as to <a href="#">10</a> MOTION to Change Venue : The document was filed without a certificate of service, which is required pursuant to S.D. Ohio Civ. R. 5.2. To correct the filing, use the "Certificate of Service" event found under <i>Civil Events - Initial Pleadings and Service - Service of Process</i> and link the event to the Motion for Extension of Time when prompted. (kk2) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 02/18/2015)
02/18/2015	<a href="#">13</a>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE by Plaintiff The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic re <a href="#">12</a> MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply (Cooke, Elizabeth) Modified on 2/19/2015 to correct text & document link (kk2) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 02/18/2015)
02/19/2015	<a href="#">14</a>	ORDER granting <a href="#">12</a> Motion for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply re <a href="#">10</a> MOTION to Change Venue Responses due by 2/26/2015. Non oral hearing remains unchanged. Signed by Judge Gregory L. Frost on 2/19/15. (kn) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 02/19/2015)
02/26/2015	<a href="#">15</a>	RESPONSE in Opposition re <a href="#">10</a> MOTION to Change Venue <i>Plaintiffs' Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Transfer Venue</i> filed by Plaintiff The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit Exhibits A-E) (Cooke, Elizabeth) Modified on 2/27/2015 to correct text (kk2) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 02/26/2015)
03/11/2015	<a href="#">16</a>	NOTICE of Hearing: Preliminary Pretrial Conference set for 4/8/2015 11:45 AM in Chambers before Magistrate Judge Elizabeth Preston Deavers. (sln1) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 03/11/2015)
03/11/2015	<a href="#">17</a>	REPLY to Response to Motion re <a href="#">10</a> MOTION to Change Venue filed by Defendant United States Customs and Border Protection. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A, Plaintiffs' First Set of Discovery Requests, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit B, Federal Defendants' Responses to Second Set of Discovery Requests) (Stark, John) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 03/11/2015)
04/01/2015	<a href="#">18</a>	RULE 26(f) REPORT of the Parties by Defendant United States Customs and Border Protection. (Stark, John) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 04/01/2015)
04/07/2015		NOTICE OF CHANGE IN HEARING: Preliminary Pretrial Conference reset to 4/14/2015 11:30 AM in Chambers before Magistrate Judge Elizabeth Preston Deavers. (Previously set for 4/8/2015.) (sln1) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 04/07/2015)
04/08/2015	<a href="#">19</a>	NOTICE OF CHANGE IN HEARING: Preliminary Pretrial Conference set for 4/15/2015 11:00 AM in Teleconference before Magistrate Judge Elizabeth Preston Deavers. (Previously set for 4/14/2015.) (sln1) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 04/08/2015)
04/28/2015	<a href="#">20</a>	ORDER granting <a href="#">10</a> Defendant's Motion to Change Venue. Signed by Judge Gregory L.

		Frost on 4/28/15. (sem) [Transferred from ohsd on 4/28/2015.] (Entered: 04/28/2015)
04/28/2015	<a href="#">21</a>	CASE TRANSFERRED IN from District of Ohio Southern. Case number 2:14-cv-02329. Electronic file, transfer order, and docket sheet received. (Entered: 04/28/2015)
04/28/2015		Judge Jeffrey J. Helmick assigned to case. (H,JD) (Entered: 04/28/2015)
04/28/2015		Random Assignment of Magistrate Judge pursuant to Local Rule 3.1. In the event of a referral, case will be assigned to Magistrate Judge James R. Knepp II. (H,JD) (Entered: 04/28/2015)
04/29/2015		Copy of docket sheet mailed to attorneys Elizabeth Ilgen Cooke and Amna Amber Akbar. (H,JD) (Entered: 04/29/2015)
04/29/2015		<b>Notice</b> to Attorney Amna Amber Akbar. The Court finds no record of your being admitted to practice in the Northern District of Ohio. Pursuant to LR 83.5, an Application for Admission to Practice or a Motion to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice in this case must be filed within 10 business days. The local rules and the attorney admission application are available on the court's web site at: www.ohnd.uscourts.gov. If you are not the attorney of record in this case, a Motion to Withdraw as Attorney pursuant to LR 83.9 must be filed within 10 business days. (P,G) (Entered: 04/29/2015)
04/29/2015		<b>Notice</b> to Attorney Elizabeth Ilgen Cooke. The Court finds no record of your being admitted to practice in the Northern District of Ohio. Pursuant to LR 83.5, an Application for Admission to Practice or a Motion to be Admitted Pro Hac Vice in this case must be filed within 10 business days. The local rules and the attorney admission application are available on the court's web site at: www.ohnd.uscourts.gov. If you are not the attorney of record in this case, a Motion to Withdraw as Attorney pursuant to LR 83.9 must be filed within 10 business days. Related document <a href="#">21</a> . (P,G) (Entered: 04/29/2015)
04/29/2015	<a href="#">22</a>	Attorney Appearance by Guillermo J. Rojas filed by on behalf of United States Customs and Border Protection. (Rojas, Guillermo) (Entered: 04/29/2015)
05/12/2015	<a href="#">23</a>	<b>Order</b> of Reassignment. This case is returned to the Clerk for reassignment to Judge Jack Zouhary for all further proceedings as related to 3:09cv2865. Judge Jeffrey J. Helmick on 5/12/2015. (S,AL) (Entered: 05/12/2015)
05/12/2015		Judge Jack Zouhary assigned to case. Judge Jeffrey J. Helmick terminated. (H,JD) (Entered: 05/12/2015)
05/12/2015	<a href="#">24</a>	Notice of Substitution of Counsel removing attorney <i>Elizabeth I. Cooke</i> and adding attorney <i>Amna A. Akbar</i> and adding attorney Mark R. Heller filed by on behalf of All Plaintiffs. (Heller, Mark) (Entered: 05/12/2015)
05/15/2015		NOTICE [non-document] of Phone Status set for 5/19/15 at 9:30 AM before Judge Jack Zouhary. At that time, counsel are instructed to call the District Court conference line. (S,Na) (Entered: 05/15/2015)
05/19/2015	<a href="#">25</a>	<b>ORDER.</b> Phone Status held on 5/19/15. Counsel will discuss phased production of documents responsive to Plaintiffs FOIA request. Further Phone Status set for 6/22/15 at 9:30 AM before Judge Jack Zouhary. Counsel to use District Court conference line. At that time, counsel shall report on agreed plan and time frame, and be prepared to set further case dates. (15 min) Judge Jack Zouhary on 5/19/15. (S,Na) (Entered: 05/19/2015)
06/22/2015	<a href="#">26</a>	<b>ORDER.</b> Phone Status held on 6/22/15. Counsel continue to discuss phased production of documents responsive to Plaintiffs' FOIA request. Joint status report outlining agreed plan and time frame for document production, noting any disputes due by 7/20/15. Further phone status set for 7/21/15 at 2:00 PM before Judge Jack Zouhary. Counsel to use same

		District Court conference line. (15 min) Judge Jack Zouhary on 6/22/15. (S,Na) (Entered: 06/22/2015)
07/20/2015	<a href="#">27</a>	Joint Status Report filed by All Defendants. (Rojas, Guillermo) (Entered: 07/21/2015)
07/22/2015	<a href="#">28</a>	<b>ORDER.</b> Phone Status held on 7/21/15. Case will proceed on the Standard Track with trial (if necessary) no later than <b>APRIL 2016</b> . By 7/23/15, counsel shall file Proposed Scheduling Order, to include specific deadlines for phased collection, review, and production of documents responsive to Plaintiffs' FOIA request. Further Phone Status set for 11/23/15 at 11:30 AM before Judge Jack Zouhary. Court will provide counsel with the conference line number prior to the phone status. (15 min) Judge Jack Zouhary on 7/22/15. (S,Na) (Entered: 07/22/2015)
07/23/2015	<a href="#">29</a>	<b>ORDER.</b> Phone conference held on 7/23/15 to discuss who bears responsibility for paying FOIA processing fees and whether Plaintiffs are entitled to a waiver or reduction of fees. Counsel are prepared to submit document production schedule. Production should proceed as agreed; to the extent there is disagreement about payment, that matter can proceed on a parallel track and should not delay production of documents. If counsel continue to have a disagreement on fees, they may submit a proposed briefing schedule for Court's review and approval. Government should not delay production of documents just because payment of FOIA processing fee remains unresolved. (15 min) Judge Jack Zouhary on 7/23/15. (S,Na) (Entered: 07/23/2015)
07/23/2015	<a href="#">30</a>	Proposed Order <i>on Phased Production Plan</i> filed by United States Customs and Border Protection. (Rojas, Guillermo) (Entered: 07/23/2015)
07/24/2015	<a href="#">31</a>	<b>Stipulation &amp; Order</b> approving <a href="#">30</a> Proposed Order on Phased Production Plan filed by United States Customs and Border Protection. Judge Jack Zouhary on 7/24/2015. (D,L) (Entered: 07/24/2015)
11/10/2015	<a href="#">32</a>	Status Report <i>for Phase I</i> filed by United States Customs and Border Protection. (Rojas, Guillermo) (Entered: 11/10/2015)
11/13/2015	<a href="#">33</a>	<b>Order</b> re <a href="#">32</a> Status Report. Further Status Report due by 1/15/2016. Judge Jack Zouhary on 11/13/2015. (D,L) (Entered: 11/13/2015)
11/17/2015		NOTICE [non-document]. At the request of counsel, the Phone Status set for 11/23/15 is vacated and reset for 11/24/15 at 3:00 PM before Judge Jack Zouhary. This Court will initiate the call. (S,Na) (Entered: 11/17/2015)
11/25/2015	<a href="#">34</a>	<b>ORDER.</b> Phone Status held on 11/24/15. Court discussed with counsel the status of Phases 2 and 3 of the document production <a href="#">30</a> . Further Phone Status set for 12/2/15 at 3:00 PM before Judge Jack Zouhary. Counsel should confer with each other before the Phone Status and bring to Court's attention any issues which need Court guidance. Counsel shall use the same District Court conference line. (25 min) Judge Jack Zouhary on 11/25/15. (S,Na) (Entered: 11/25/2015)
12/01/2015	<a href="#">35</a>	Attorney Appearance <i>Co-Counsel</i> by Lisa Hammond Johnson filed by on behalf of United States Customs and Border Protection. (Johnson, Lisa) (Entered: 12/01/2015)
12/03/2015	<a href="#">36</a>	<b>ORDER.</b> Phone Status held on 12/2/15. Counsel report parties have made good progress in agreeing on plan for meeting phased production schedule. Further Phone Status set for 1/4/16 at 4:00 PM before Judge Jack Zouhary. Counsel should confer before the next Phone Status and bring to Court's attention by 12/31/15 at noon any issues which need Court guidance. Counsel shall use the same District Court conference line. (15 min) Judge Jack Zouhary on 12/3/15. (S,Na) (Entered: 12/03/2015)
12/07/2015	<a href="#">37</a>	FILING ERROR: Filed prematurely. To be refiled once postal green card is received. Filer notified. Return of Service by Certified/Registered Mail executed upon United States

		Customs and Border Protection on 12/7/2015 filed on behalf of The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law Civil Clinic Related document(s) <a href="#">1</a> . (Akbar, Amna) Modified on 12/8/2015 (M,L). (Entered: 12/07/2015)
12/23/2015	<a href="#">38</a>	Joint <b>Motion</b> to continue Status Conference filed by Defendant United States Customs and Border Protection. (Johnson, Lisa) (Entered: 12/23/2015)
12/30/2015	<a href="#">39</a>	<b>ORDER</b> granting Joint Motion to Continue Status Conference <a href="#">38</a> . For good cause shown, the 1/4/16 Phone Status is vacated and reset for 1/19/16 at 2:00 PM before Judge Jack Zouhary. Counsel shall use the same District Court conference line. Judge Jack Zouhary on 12/30/15.(S,Na) (Entered: 12/30/2015)
02/02/2016	<a href="#">40</a>	Joint <b>Motion</b> for Scheduling Order filed by Defendant United States Customs and Border Protection. Related document(s) <a href="#">31</a> . (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Proposed Order)(Johnson, Lisa) (Entered: 02/02/2016)
02/05/2016	<a href="#">41</a>	<b>Order</b> granting in part and denying in part <a href="#">40</a> Joint Motion for Scheduling Order. See Order for deadlines. This Court will hold a hearing on <b>Monday, July 11, 2016 at 10:00 AM</b> in Courtroom 209 before Judge Jack Zouhary. Counsel shall be present in person. Counsel shall work this case as necessary to allow this case to be closed no later than July 27, 2016. Per the prior Scheduling Order, Defendant will file a Status Report with this Court with each phase of production. Judge Jack Zouhary on 2/5/2016. (D,L) (Entered: 02/05/2016)
02/24/2016	<a href="#">42</a>	Joint Brief filed by Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Declaration of Robert Lewandowski) (Akbar, Amna) Modified text on 2/25/2016 (M,L). (Entered: 02/24/2016)
03/02/2016	<a href="#">43</a>	Status Report filed by United States Customs and Border Protection. (Johnson, Lisa) (Entered: 03/02/2016)
03/02/2016	<a href="#">44</a>	Attorney Appearance by Jody L. King filed by on behalf of United States Customs and Border Protection. (King, Jody) (Entered: 03/02/2016)
06/01/2016	<a href="#">45</a>	<b>Order</b> re <a href="#">42</a> Joint Letter Brief. Plaintiffs challenge CBP's redactions and request this Court order CBP to produce the documents without redaction. Plaintiff's request is granted in part. CBP is ordered to re-produce the documents in Categories 1 and 3 without redactions. Judge Jack Zouhary on 6/1/2016. (D,L) (Entered: 06/01/2016)
06/20/2016	<a href="#">46</a>	Status Report filed by United States Customs and Border Protection. Related document(s) <a href="#">41</a> .(Johnson, Lisa) (Entered: 06/20/2016)
06/24/2016	<a href="#">47</a>	<b>ORDER.</b> Court reviewed Joint Status Report <a href="#">46</a> . With agreement of counsel, hearing set for 7/11/16 is vacated. New dates for document production are approved, and counsel shall file a Dismissal by 7/27/16. Judge Jack Zouhary on 6/24/16. (S,Na) (Entered: 06/24/2016)
07/27/2016	<a href="#">48</a>	Stipulated Notice of Dismissal Under FRCP 41(a)(1) filed by United States Customs and Border Protection. (Johnson, Lisa) (Entered: 07/27/2016)
07/28/2016	<a href="#">49</a>	<b>Order</b> of Case Dismissal approving <a href="#">48</a> Stipulated Notice of Dismissal Under FRCP 41(a) (1). Judge Jack Zouhary on 7/28/2016. (D,L) (Entered: 07/28/2016)

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