



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U.S. Census Bureau
Washington, DC 20233-0001

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Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter is in further response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552, request dated March 16, 2020, to the U.S. Census Bureau's FOIA Office. We received your request in this office on March 16, 2020. We have assigned to it tracking number DOC-CEN-000960 and are responding under the FOIA to your request for:

All email communication (including email chains, email attachments, calendar invitations and attachments thereto) sent by and between those referenced in items (a), (b), and (c) and the Census Bureau officials listed in item (d).

(a) any employee or representative of the Republican National Committee, including anyone communicating with email address ending in gop.com, rnchq.org, or @rnchq.com from January 1, 2019 through the date the search is conducted;

(b) any employee or representative of Donald J. Trump for President, including anyone communicating with an email address ending in donaldjtrump.com, trump.com, donaldtrump.com, parscale.com, parscalestrategy.com, parscaledigital.com, or gilesparscale.com from January 1 2019 through the date the search is conducted;

(c) any employee of the White House Office, including anyone using an email address ending in who.eop.gov, regarding Republican National Committee fundraising documents that may resemble U.S. Census forms or the public response thereto from February 1, 2020 through the date the search is conducted; and

(d) any of the Census Bureau Officials listed below:

- a. Steven Dillingham, Director, or anyone communicating on his behalf, such as a scheduler or assistant, including Katherine Hancher
- b. Christa Jones, Chief of Staff
- c. Ron Jarmin, Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer
- d. Albert E. Fontenot Jr., Associate Director for Decennial Census Programs
- e. James B. Treat, Senior Advisor for Decennial Affairs
- f. Kevin Quinley, Director of Strategic Initiatives

- g. José Bautista, Senior Advisor
- h. Christopher Stanley, Chief of Congressional Affairs
- i. Ali Ahmad, Associate Director for Communications

Our search of the U.S. Census Bureau records failed to identify any records in our files that are responsive to your request.

You have the right to appeal this determination of the FOIA request. An appeal must be received within 90 calendar days of the date of this response letter. Address your appeal to the following office:

**Assistant General Counsel for Employment, Litigation and Information
Room 5896
U.S. Department of Commerce,
14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20230**

An appeal may also be sent by e-mail to FOIAAppeals@doc.gov, or by FOIAonline, if you have an account in FOIAonline, at <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home#>. The appeal should include a copy of the original request and initial denial, if any. All appeals should include a statement of the reasons why the records requested should be made available and why the adverse determination was in error. The appeal letter, the envelope and the e-mail subject line should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

The e-mail, FOIAonline, and Office are monitored only on working days during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday). FOIA appeals posted to the e-mail box, FOIAonline, or Office after normal business hours will be deemed received on the next normal business day. If the 90th calendar day for submitting an appeal falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal public holiday, an appeal received by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, the next business day will be deemed timely.

In addition, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. 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 ogis@nara.gov
telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1 877-684-6448
facsimile at 202-741-5769**

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Please contact La Von Brown or Deloris Reed by telephone at 301-763-2127 or by email at census.foia@census.gov if you have any questions regarding your request.

Sincerely,

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Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer

Chief, Freedom of Information Act Office