



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 correspondence, dated November 18, 2020, to the U.S. Census Bureau's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Office. We received your request in this office on November 18, 2020, and have assigned to it tracking number DOC-CEN-2021-000308. We are responding under the FOIA to your request for:

- 1). Any order, directive, protocols, or guidance sent by the Census Bureau Headquarters to regional or field offices.

American Oversight believes Census Bureau is best positioned to determine where responsive records may reside. However, we request that, at a minimum, you search the files of the Office of the Director of the Census Bureau, the Office of the Deputy Director of the Census Bureau, the Office of the Associate Director for Field Operations for the Census Bureau, and the Office of the Associate Director for Decennial Census Programs.

- 2). Any order, directive, protocols, or guidance sent by the Census Regional Offices (Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York, and Philadelphia) to field offices.

- 3). Any order, directive, protocol, or guidance provided by any of the following specified Census field offices to census enumerators working out of or for the specified office.

Specified Field Offices

- i. Mobile, AL
- ii. Jacksonville, FL
- iii. DeKalb County, GA
- iv. Atlanta, GA
- v. New Orleans, LA
- vi. Columbia, SC
- vii. Hidalgo County – Cameron, TX
- viii. Waltham, MA
- ix. Indianapolis, IN

All responsive records from August 1, 2020, through September 30, 2020.

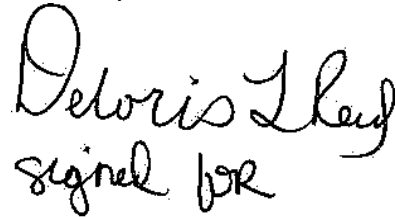
According to our records, in a letter dated December 3, 2020, we advised you:

- Pursuant to Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 4.4(c), records requested must be described in enough detail to enable Department personnel to locate them with a reasonable amount of effort. Currently, your request does not clearly describe the records sought, and therefore, does not constitute a proper request, under the FOIA.
- If a clarification of your request or other communication is not received within 30 calendar days from the date of this letter, your FOIA request will be considered "closed."

We did not receive a clarification of your request or other communication within 30 calendar days, so we are administratively closing this request. If you elect to have us reopen your case, please contact us to provide a clarification of your request and we will reopen your request.

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

Sincerely,



Deloris Reed
signed for

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