



# Homeland Security

*Privacy Office, Mail Stop 0655*

January 21, 2021

**SENT VIA EMAIL TO: FOIA@AMERICANOVERSIGHT.ORG**

Austin Evers  
Executive Director  
American Oversight  
1030 15th Street, NW, Suite B255  
Washington, DC 20005

**RE: FPS Case Number 2021-FPFO-00054**

Dear Mr. Evers:

This is our final response to your January 11, 2021, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) seeking all call logs for the officials specified below from January 6, 2021, or anyone communicating on their behalf, such as a Chief of Staff, Executive Assistant, or Secretary:

- a) L. Eric Patterson, Director
- b) Anyone serving in the capacity of Deputy Director
- c) Anyone serving in the capacity of Chief of Staff

Your request was referred to DHS's Federal Protective Service (FPS) for processing and direct response to you on January 20, 2021.

We conducted a comprehensive search of files within FPS for records that would be responsive to your request. Unfortunately, we were unable to locate or identify any responsive records. FPS does not maintain call logs for its senior officials, including Director Patterson, the FPS Principal Deputy Director, and the FPS Chief of Staff.

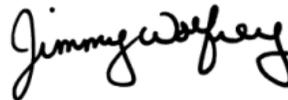
While an adequate search was conducted, you have the right to appeal the above withholding determination. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 90 days of the date of this letter, to: Privacy Office, Attn: FOIA Appeals, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 2707 Martin Luther King Avenue SE, Mail Stop 0655, Washington, D.C. 20528-0655, following the procedures outlined in the DHS FOIA regulations at 6 C.F.R. Part 5 § 5.8. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS FOIA regulations are available at [www.dhs.gov/foia](http://www.dhs.gov/foia).

Provisions of FOIA allow DHS to charge for processing fees, up to \$25.00, unless you seek a waiver of fees. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$25.00 minimum, there is no charge.

You have a right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact 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](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you need to contact our office again about this matter, please refer to **2021-FPFO-00054**. This office can be reached at [FOIA@HQ.DHS.GOV](mailto:FOIA@HQ.DHS.GOV) or call 202-343-1743 or toll free 1-866-431-0486.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jimmy Wolfrey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jimmy Wolfrey  
Senior Director, FOIA Operations and Management