



U.S. Department of Justice

Office of the Solicitor General

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Washington, D.C. 20532

VIA U.S. MAIL and VIA EMAIL to <foia@americanoversight.org>

Mehreen Rasheed
1030 15th Street NW, Suite B255
Washington, DC 20005

Re: OSG FOIA No. **2021-127801**

Dear Ms. Rasheed:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG), dated November 24, 2021, in which you requested the following:

“All records reflecting communications (including emails, email attachments, text messages, messages on messaging platforms (such as Slack, GChat or Google Hangouts, Lync, Skype, or WhatsApp), telephone call logs, calendar invitations, calendar entries, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational material, talking points, any handwritten or electronic notes taken during any oral communications, summaries of any oral communications, or other materials) between (a) the DOJ official listed, Acting Solicitor General Jeffrey Wall and Assistant to the Solicitor General Christopher Michel and (b) John Eastman (including, but not limited to, from the email address jeastman@claremont.org or jeastman@chapman.edu). Please provide all responsive records from October 1, 2020, through January 20, 2021.”

Under the Freedom of Information Act, an individual is entitled to receive access to certain materials in identifiable agency records. OSG maintains primary pertinent records on current or recent past United States Supreme Court cases in which the federal government has participated. We also maintain records on adverse decisions submitted for the Solicitor General’s decision regarding whether to seek further judicial review.

OSG reviewed records responsive to the search terms specified in your request for responsiveness. OSG instructed IT Enterprise Services to conduct an Outlook/PST search of Mr. Wall’s and Mr. Michel’s emails for communications between Mr. Wall and

Mr. Eastman, or between Mr. Michel and Mr. Eastman. No responsive records were located. As to non-email communications as articulated by your request, the only form of written communication that OSG is aware that Mr. Wall and Mr. Michel used for agency business was text messaging. A search was conducted of Mr. Wall's former work iPhone and Mr. Michel's work iPhone and found no records responsive to your request.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact Lee Reeves at 202.451.7347 or lee.reeves2@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

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