

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

JUDICIAL WATCH,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	
)	Case No. 18-CV-245-CRC
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
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JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the order dated April 3, 2018, counsel for the parties have conferred and jointly submit this status report.

In the FOIA request at issue in this case, Plaintiff seeks, *inter alia*, certain FISA applications and orders “relating to Russian interference in the 2016 election, allegations of collusion between people associated with the Trump campaign and Russia, and any known Trump associates.” FBI originally made a *Glomar* response, refusing to confirm or deny the existence of any responsive records.

Defendant is working on multiple pending FOIA requests and lawsuits for similar categories of documents. In light of the declassification and disclosure of related information, Defendant is currently processing for potential redaction and release certain FISA materials related to Carter Page. In each case where these documents are at issue, Defendant has requested, and the court has granted, a schedule whereby processing will be complete on or before July 20, 2018. *See James Madison Project, et al. v. United States Department of Justice*, No. 17 Civ. 597-APM (D.D.C.) (Dkt. Entry Dated Mar. 19, 2018); *Poulsen v. United States Department of Defense, et al.*, No. 17 Civ. 3531-WHO (N.D. Cal.) (Dkt. No. 46); *Gizmodo*

Media Group, LLC v. Department of Justice, 17 Civ. 3566-DLC (S.D.N.Y.) (Dkt. No. 44); *New York Times v. DOJ*, 18 Civ. 2054 (S.D.N.Y.) (Dkt. No. 11).

The parties have therefore agreed to the following schedule for the search and production of non-exempt responsive records: DOJ will provide a status update to the Court on May 18, 2018, and will complete the processing and production of responsive, non-exempt documents by July 20, 2018. The parties will submit a joint status report proposing next steps on or before August 3, 2018. This schedule aligns with the schedules directed by federal district courts in the above-cited cases. Rather than submit a proposed schedule for summary judgment motions at this time, the parties request to address whether motion practice is necessary in the joint status report on August 3, 2018, and to propose a schedule at that time if motions are contemplated.

Dated: April 23, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,

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