



U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Transportation Security Administration
6595 Springfield Center Drive
Springfield, Virginia 20598-6020

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Case Number: 2024-TSLI-00001

Elisabeth Messenger
Americans for Fair Treatment
225 State Street, Suite 301
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Ms. Messenger:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) on December 4, 2023, and clarified by your counsel's email of January 30, 2024. As clarified, your request seeks "final products" former TSA Administrator John Pistole and his immediate staff relied on in making the Determination Regarding Collective Bargaining issued on February 4, 2011, and Determination on Transportation Security Officers and Collective Bargaining issued on December 29, 2014.

Your request has been processed under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552. The processing of your request identified no responsive records with regard to the 2014 Determination and one responsive record with regard to the 2011 Determination, which is being released to you in full.

The rules and regulations of the Transportation Security Administration applicable to Freedom of Information Act requests are contained in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 6, Part 5. They are published in the Federal Register and are available for inspection by the public.

Fees

There are no fees associated with processing this request because the fees incurred do not exceed the minimum threshold necessary for charge.

Administrative Appeal

Should you decide to file an appeal, it should be mailed to:

Christine Griggs
FOIA Appeals Officer
Office of Civil Rights & Liberties, Ombudsman and Traveler Engagement (CRL/OTE)
Transportation Security Administration
6595 Springfield Center Drive
Springfield, VA 20598-6020

Your appeal **must be submitted within 90 days** from the date of this determination. It should contain your FOIA request number and, to the extent possible, the reasons why you believe the

initial determination should be reversed. In addition, the envelope should be prominently marked "FOIA Appeal." Please note that the TSA FOIA Appeals Officer's determination of the appeal will be administratively final.

Additionally, you have the 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 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; or facsimile at 202-741-5796.

If you have any questions pertaining to your request, please feel free to contact the FOIA Branch at 1-866-364-2872 or 1-571-227-2300.

Sincerely,



Teri M. Miller
FOIA Officer

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