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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
WASHINGTON, DC 20224

February 24, 2017

John Greenewald, Jr.



Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is our final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated November 1, 2016 that we received on November 1, 2016.

You asked for a copy of records, electronic or otherwise, of all weekly or monthly FOIA program internal status reports for your agency during calendar years 2015 and 2016. We found three internal status reports responsive to your request.

Of the 7,920 pages located in response to your request, I am enclosing 7,920 pages. I am withholding 5,336 pages in part under FOIA exemption 6.

FOIA exemption 6 exempts from disclosure files that, if released, would clearly be an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. We base the determination to withhold on a balancing of interests between the protection of an individual's right to privacy and the public's right to access government information.

You have the right to file an administrative appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter. By filing an appeal, you preserve your rights under FOIA and give the agency a chance to review and reconsider your request and the agency's decision. I've enclosed Notice 393, *Information on an IRS Determination to Withhold Records Exempt From the Freedom of Information Act - 5 U.S.C. 552*, to explain your appeal rights.

If you would like to discuss our response before filing an appeal to attempt to resolve your dispute without going through the appeals process, you may contact me, Laura A. McIntyre, the FOIA Public Liaison, for assistance at:

Internal Revenue Service
MS 7000 DEN
1999 Broadway
Denver, CO 80202-3025
303-603-4734

The FOIA Public Liaison responds to FOIA and Privacy Act requests for copies of documents maintained by the IRS. There is no provision in either Act to resolve tax, collection, or processing issues and our staff is not trained to answer questions regarding those issues. If you need assistance with tax related issues you may call the IRS toll free number at 1-800-829-1040.

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through the FOIA Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road--OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
202-741-5770
877-684-6448
ogis@nara.gov
ogis.archives.gov

No fees were incurred in processing your request as a fee waiver was granted.

We are providing your documents in electronic format. The enclosed CD contains your documents and is encrypted. The passphrase and instructions to open the files is being mailed separately.

If you have any questions please call Tax Law Specialist Vivian A King ID # 1000207866, at 651-312-7813 or write to: Internal Revenue Service, HQ Disclosure, 2980 Brandywine Road, Stop 211, Chamblee, GA 30341. Please refer to case number F17307-0087.

Sincerely,



Laura A McIntyre
Disclosure Manager
Headquarters (HQ) Disclosure Office

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Notice 393