

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

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT,

*Plaintiff,*

v.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, *et al.*,

*Defendants.*

Civil Action No. 25-1585 (CRC)

**JOINT STATUS REPORT**

Pursuant to the Court's December 17, 2025 Minute Order, Plaintiff American Oversight and Defendants the Internal Revenue Service and the Department of the Treasury respectfully submit the following Joint Status Report apprising the Court of relevant developments:

1. Plaintiff American Oversight seeks records responsive to a Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request it submitted to the Internal Revenue Service.
2. Plaintiff's FOIA request originally comprised six parts. At the outset of this suit, Plaintiff withdrew parts 3, 4, and 6 of its FOIA request. (ECF No. 1 at ¶ 36.)
3. On December 12, 2025, counsel for Plaintiff communicated to counsel for Defendants by email that it would be further narrowing its FOIA request to exclude part 5.
4. At the December 17, 2025 Status Conference, the Court granted the Internal Revenue Service and Department of the Treasury's Motion to Dismiss as to part 5 of Plaintiff's FOIA request and directed these parties to file a Joint Status Report apprising the Court of developments as to these parties' ongoing discussions about narrowing the scope of the remaining parts of Plaintiff's FOIA request.

5. The parties have both made proposals they hope will allow the case to proceed without further briefing necessary at this point.
6. Those discussions currently remain ongoing.
7. The parties require additional time to conclude these discussions.
8. As such, the parties respectfully request that they be allowed to file another joint status report by February 3, 2026.

**WHEREFORE**, Plaintiff American Oversight and Defendants Internal Revenue Service and the Department of the Treasury respectfully request to file another joint status report by February 3, 2026.

Dated: January 20, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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