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File Number: 20210969

Dear Requester:

This letter acknowledges the receipt of your recent Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request, received by the United States Secret Service (Secret Service) on September 29, 2021, for information pertaining to records dating to 1972 related to any USSS contacts with Dennis Sheldon Brewer SSN 536-64-4236, including any and all paper and electronic records related to investigations, undercover operations, national security operations, and counter-terrorism operations. The Seattle FBI Field Office would be the primary source of original contact with the subject. However, since that time he has traveled to all states in the United States, except Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Mississippi, and North Dakota, as well as the White House West Wing in the early 2000s and the New Executive Office Building in late Summer 2005.

Please be advised, your request for a fee waiver will be held in abeyance pending the quantification of responsive records. The FOIA regulations, Title 6 C.F.R., Chapter I, Part 5 § 5.11(k)(2)(3), set forth six factors to examine when determining whether the applicable legal standard for a fee waiver has been met. We will consider these factors:

- 1) Whether the subject of the requested records concerns "the operations or activities of the government;"
- 2) Whether the disclosure is "likely to contribute" to an understanding of government operations or activities;
- 3) Whether disclosure of the requested information will contribute to the understanding of the public at large, as opposed to the individual understanding of the requestor or a narrow segment of interested persons;
- 4) Whether the contribution of public understanding of government operations or activities will be "significant;"
- 5) Whether the requester has a commercial interest that would be furthered by the requested disclosure; and

- 6) Whether the magnitude of any identified commercial interest to the requestor is sufficiently large in comparison with the public interest in disclosure, that disclosure is primarily in the commercial interest of the requestor.

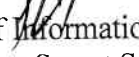
If your fee waiver is denied, we shall charge you for the records in accordance with FOIA regulations as they apply to non-commercial ("all other") requesters. The first 100 pages of duplication are free of charge. As an "all other" requester, you will be charged .10 cents a page for the duplication of each additional page. As an "all other" requester, the first 2 hours of search time are free of charge, after which you will be charged the per quarter-hour rate (\$4.00, \$7.00, \$10.25) of the searcher.

Furthermore, the submission of your request is viewed as an agreement, by you, to pay duplication and search time costs up to \$25.00. A search for files responsive to your request is being conducted. The appropriate components of the Secret Service are being queried for responsive documents. If any responsive records are located, they will be reviewed for a disclosure determination. You will be contacted before any additional fees are accrued.

Due to the increasing number of FOIA requests received by this office, we may encounter some delay in processing your request. As your request seeks documents that will require a thorough and wide-ranging search, the Secret Service will invoke a 10-day extension for your request pursuant to 6 C.F.R., Part 5 § 5.5(c). If you would like to narrow the scope of your request, please contact our office. We will make every effort to comply with your request in a timely manner. Additionally, per Section 5.5(a) of the FOIA regulations, 6 C.F.R, Chapter I, Part 5, Secret Service processes FOIA requests according to their order of receipt.

If you need any further assistance, or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact our FOIA Public Liaison Kevin Tyrrell, at (202) 406-6370. Alternatively, you may send an e-mail to FOIA@usss.dhs.gov. FOIA/PA File No. 20210969 is assigned to your request. Please refer to this file number in all future communication with this office.

Thank you,


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