



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Office of the General Counsel
Washington DC 20420

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In Reply Refer To: 024T
OGC Case # 30883

Mr. Scott Hodes
P.O. Box 42002
Washington, DC 20015

Re: FOIA Tracking No.: 13-02401-F

Dear Mr. Hodes:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your February 20, 2013, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Appeal.

We are in the process of obtaining relevant records **and/or** information concerning your appeal. Once that information is received from the facility that denied your initial request, your appeal will be assigned to a FOIA attorney within our office. Please be aware that all appeals to our office are handled on a first-in/first-out basis. Given the variant circumstances that affect the length of time required to respond to each appeal, including the number and size of documents requested, the need to retrieve those records, the complexity of the legal issues involved, and the current workload of the responsible attorney, it is difficult to determine precisely when a decision will be rendered in a particular case. Currently, we are unable to offer an estimate as to when your appeal will be completed.

We will notify you in writing once a final determination is made on your appeal.

While we process your appeal, if you have any questions about this matter, please call Tracy Knight (Program Specialist) at (202) 461-7743. We appreciate your patience while we process your appeal.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T. Knight".

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FOIA/Privacy Act Decision Team