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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request (#FOIA-2020-133)

Please be advised that this is a final response to your request dated August 27, 2020, in which you asked the U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC) to provide you with a copy of records describing the numbers of Hatch Act Complaints received by the Office of Special Council in 2020, including the number per month. On October 29, 2020, you narrowed the scope of the request for a spreadsheet of the total number of OSC complaints broken down by type (HA, PPP, USERRA, Disclosure) and agency during the time frame of FY2016-FY2020. Your request has been processed under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552 and the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a.

OSC identified four (4) responsive pages and we are releasing 4 pages to you in full.

If you have any questions or you require dispute resolution services, please feel free to contact Mahala Dar, OSC's Chief FOIA Officer and acting FOIA Public Liaison, at [mdar@osc.gov](mailto:mdar@osc.gov) or (202) 804-7000. Please reference the above tracking number when you call or write. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer.<sup>1</sup>

Thank you,

/s/

Mahala Dar, Esq.  
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## Hatch Act

Agency	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Agriculture	5	6	5	14	1
Commerce	3	2	1	5	1
Defense/Air Force	0	0	0	0	0
Defense/Army	1	0	2	1	2
Defense/Navy	3	0	0	0	4
Defense/Other	1	4	0	14	3
Education	2	1	0	0	0
Energy	1	2	0	3	1
Health and Human Services	2	2	2	1	1
Homeland Security	13	13	10	14	8
Housing And Urban Development	3	6	5	4	1
Interior	3	2	6	4	2
Justice	9	2	5	13	4
Labor	2	12	0	6	0
Other/Independent Agency	129	178	202	174	90
State	8	1	2	2	4
Transportation	0	2	0	5	1
Treasury	0	2	0	11	5
Veterans Affairs	10	16	21	10	3
	<b>195</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>131</b>

## PPP Cases

Agency	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Agriculture	136	134	98	106	36
Commerce	43	35	53	59	33
Defense/Air Force	129	146	147	138	82
Defense/Army	338	321	352	344	129
Defense/Navy	230	180	199	208	90
Defense/Other	222	226	249	241	53
Education	28	12	11	16	4
Energy	32	33	28	37	8
Health and Human Services	125	101	93	136	47
Homeland Security	367	318	339	358	105
Housing And Urban Development	37	26	26	19	10
Interior	76	102	116	96	25
Justice	176	169	176	137	39
Labor	45	39	40	40	19
Other/Independent Agency	637	600	566	399	106
State	27	36	26	23	7
Transportation	67	60	50	65	19
Treasury	87	69	88	82	30
Veterans Affairs	1242	1177	1481	1320	339
	<b>4044</b>	<b>3784</b>	<b>4138</b>	<b>3824</b>	<b>1181</b>

## Disclosure Cases

Agency	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Agriculture	67	41	40	31	16
Commerce	18	20	23	18	11
Defense/Air Force	46	60	51	32	30
Defense/Army	136	148	133	104	47
Defense/Navy	88	65	55	65	31
Defense/Other	55	83	44	63	20
Education	3	10	6	8	3
Energy	19	17	9	8	6
Health and Human Services	60	51	37	46	18
Homeland Security	185	182	169	121	39
Housing And Urban Development	10	13	13	8	5
Interior	29	72	47	29	23
Justice	91	75	61	68	24
Labor	24	21	14	19	7
Other/Independent Agency	157	213	146	157	50
State	8	17	10	10	7
Transportation	37	30	22	43	12
Treasury	41	27	32	25	12
Veterans Affairs	639	632	642	519	147
	<b>1713</b>	<b>1777</b>	<b>1554</b>	<b>1374</b>	<b>508</b>

**USERRA**

Agency	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Agriculture	1	0	1	2	0
Commerce	0	0	0	1	0
Defense/Air Force	0	0	0	1	0
Defense/Army	3	2	0	3	0
Defense/Navy	0	2	1	2	1
Defense/Other	0	1	0	2	0
Education	0	0	0	0	0
Energy	0	0	0	0	0
Health and Human Services	0	0	1	0	0
Homeland Security	1	1	0	3	0
Housing And Urban Development	0	0	0	0	0
Interior	0	0	1	1	0
Justice	0	0	0	1	0
Labor	0	0	1	0	0
Other/Independent Agency	9	8	17	4	1
State	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation	0	0	0	1	0
Treasury	0	0	0	0	0
Veterans Affairs	2	3	3	0	0
	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>