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Requester:

Request Number: <u>10-210</u>

Subject of Request: Corzine FOIA Requests

Dear Requester:

Your request for records under the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act has been processed. This letter constitutes a reply from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, the official recordkeeper for all records located in this office and the various United States Attorneys' offices. To provide the greatest degree of access authorized by the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act, we have considered your request in light of the provisions of both statutes.

All of the records you seek are being made available to you. We have processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act and are making all records required to be released, or considered appropriate for release as a matter of discretion, available to you. This letter is a full release.

- [] A review of the material revealed:
- [] Our office located records that originated with another government component. **These records were found in the U.S. Attorney's Office files and may or may not be responsive to your request.** These records will be referred to the component(s) listed for review and direct response to you:
- [] There are public records which may be obtained from the clerk of the court or this office, upon specific request. If you wish to obtain a copy of these records, you must submit a new request. These records will be provided to you subject to copying fees.
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- [] See additional information on next page.

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Acting Assistant Director

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February 1

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TO: FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

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I would appreciate your prompt attention to this matter and, at your earliest convenience, an update on when I could expect the information. I would also prefer this information in electronic form if possible. I can be reached (preferably) at <u>iwhelan@votecorzine09.com</u> or at (973) 643-6493. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Jeff Whelan Corzine for Governor One Gateway Center Suite 1102 Newark, NJ 07102 jwhelan@votecorzine09.com

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Subject: <u>New Jersey FOIA Requests</u>

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) has received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request. It has been assigned the above number. <u>Please give us this number if you write about your request</u>. If we need additional information, we will contact you within two weeks.

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

Form No. 001 - 1/09

Joyner, Tina (USAEO)

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments:

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Adam Herbsman [AHerbsman@votecorzine09.com] Tuesday, April 07, 2009 11:10 AM Joyner, Tina (USAEO) FOIA Request No. 09-490 022009 FOIA.PDF

Dear Ms. Joyner,

I am writing to inquire about the status of a FOIA request submitted by my colleague Jeff Whelan on February 19, 2009. I have attached a copy of his request to this email, as well as the reply he received dated February 20, 2009.

Is it possible for you to provide with a date by when we can expect to receive the requested information?

Thank you in advance for your time and attention.

Sincerely, Adam Herbsman

Adam Herbsman Deputy Director of Research Corzine '09 (973) 643-0500 aherbsman@votecorzine09.com

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Requester: Jeff Whelan Request No.: 09-490

Subject: New Jersey FOIA Requests

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February 19, 2009

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

Request Number: 09-490 Date of Receipt: February 19, 2009

Subject: New Jersey FOIA Requests

Dear Requester:

In response to your Freedom of Information Act and/or Privacy Act request, the paragraph(s) checked below apply:

- 1. [X] A search for records located in EOUSA <u>FOIA/PA Staff</u> has revealed no responsive records regarding the above subject. (Please see next page)
- 3. [] After an extensive search, the records which you have requested cannot be located.
- 4. [] Your records have been destroyed pursuant to Department of Justice guidelines. APR 1 7 2009
- 5. [] Please note that your original letter was split into separate files ("requests"), for processing purposes, based on the nature of what you sought. Each file was given a separate Request Number (listed below), for which you will receive a separate response:

This is the final action on this above-numbered request. You may appeal this decision on this request by writing to the Office of Information and Privacy, United States Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001. Both the letter and envelope should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be received by OIP within 60 days from the date of this letter. If you are dissatisfied with the results of any such administrative appeal, judicial review may thereafter be available in U.S. District Court, 28 C.F.R. §16.9.

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

Form No. 005 - 2/09

Continuation Sheet

Mr. Whelan:

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No other requests had made to the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey except your request which is #09-865. This #09-865 request is currently awaiting for the response from that district.

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March 18, 2

09-863

FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

The following is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please address this request on an expedited basis. According to the Department of Justice FOIA reference guide, FOIA requires that requests be processed on an expedited basis if "the information is urgently needed to inform the public concerning some actual or alleged government activity. Requests are not expedited under this provision merely on the basis that the requester is a representative of the news media. Similarly, the Justice Department also expedites requests when the subject is of widespread and exceptional media interest and the information sought involves possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence."

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Please provide the annual budgets for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey for each of the years 2000 through 2009. Please provide in hard copy and electronic form if available.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jeff Whelan Corzine '09 Inc. 973.643.0500 jwhelan@votecorzine09.com

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

Request Number: 09- 263

Dear Mr. Whelan:

This is in response to your letter dated <u>March 18, 2009</u> (and received in our office on March 18, 2009), in which you request expedited treatment of your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act request. As you may know, expedited treatment allows one requester to receive processing of his or her request ahead of other requesters who have already filed their requests. Not surprisingly, such a displacement of others who have legal rights to a prompt agency response cannot be done except under circumstances that clearly warrant the action, as carefully defined by agency regulation. The Department of Justice has published its rules for granting expedited processing at 28 Code of Federal Regulations § 16.5(d).

After careful consideration of your letter, I have concluded that you have not presented a case that would warrant granting expedited processing ahead of others. Your letter does not detail any circumstances that would allow me to grant your request. A person seeking expedited processing should show (1) circumstances in which the lack of expedited treatment could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual; (2) an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity, if made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information; (3) that a loss of substantial due process rights is involved; or (4) that the request involves a matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence. Therefore, in the absence of any such justification, I must deny your request for expedited treatment. We have referred your request under paragraph (4) to the DOJ Office of Public Affairs under 28 CFR 16.5 (d)(2).

We are proceeding to process your request in the normal order.

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Sincerely,

William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

Form No. 015 - 2/06

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Requester: Jeff Whelan	Request No.:09-863 MAR 2.0 (00)

Subject: USAO NJ Budget/DNJ

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) has received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request. It has been assigned the above number. <u>Please give us this number if you write about your request</u>. If we need additional information, we will contact you within two weeks.

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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Note: Your request for expedited processing pursuant to 28 CFR 16.5 (d)(1)(iv) has been referred to the DOJ Office of Public Affairs.



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Requester: Jeff Whelan

_ Request Number: ___09-863

Subject of Request: USAO NJ Budget

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March 18, 20

FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

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Please treat each item as its own separate request so that if information for one is readily available it is provided immediately, even if other information is still being compiled. (These records may reside in the Executive Office for United States Attorneys or elsewhere within the Department of Justice and or the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey – including any of its satellite offices throughout the state.)

Please provide:

• Any records that show the annual breakdown of prosecutions by type and or category for the U.S. Attorney's Office in New Jersey for each year from 2000 through 2008. Please include in this any reports and or data submitted to the DOJ for the U.S. Attorneys Annual Statistical Report, and or any reports issued to Congress that includes such information. (Please provide data in excel spreadsheet format if available)

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- Any records that show the same information for each of the 94 U.S. Attorney's Offices for same years.
- Any records (for same years) that show rankings of U.S. Attorney's office based on prosecutions (for example, ranking which district had most drug prosecutions. Please provide in excel spreadsheet format if available.)
- Any requests for first-class travel by Christopher Christie or his senior staff. (According to the United States Attorney Manual, 3-8.740, "requests for first class-travel requires approval of Deputy Director, RMP."
- All travel and expense records, including vouchers, reimbursements, etc., submitted on behalf of U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie and his senior staff, from Jan. 2002 through December 2008.
- All records of public events attended by U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie from Jan 2002 through December 2008. Please include schedules, calendars, briefing papers, emails, invitations, event programs, agendas, etc.
- Electronic files of all audio or video recordings made of U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie's press conferences from January 2002 through the present.
- The U.S. Attorney's Office District of New Jersey Office report 2002-2008 states the office won convictions against more than 130 public officials between 2002 and the end of Fiscal Year 2008. Please provide the records used to reach this tally and support this claim (with complete list of defendants and or case titles.) In recent public statements, the former U.S. Attorney has pegged this number at 136.
- Breakdown of staffing organization, by unit, department and or category for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of NJ for each of the years 2000 through December 2008. (Or any record which shows how staffing resources were being deployed to fight specific categories of crimes.)
- Emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications between U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie and Karl Rove or anyone at the White House or Republican National Committee. (Please include emails between Christie and RNC email accounts used by Rove and other White House staff).
- Emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications between Christopher Christie and Monica Goodling
- All correspondence between the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey and attorneys for Stryker Orthopedics Inc. (including, but not limited to, Stern & Kilcullen).
- Any emails between Christopher Christie and <u>wpalatucci@dhplaw.net</u>
- Any records regarding an attempt by Christopher Christie, as U.S. Attorney, to

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obtain a recusal. According to the U.S. Attorney's Manual, chapter 3-2.170, "A United States Attorney who becomes aware of circumstances that might necessitate a recusal of himself/herself or of the entire office, should promptly notify GCO, EOUSA, at (202) 514-4024 to discuss whether a recusal is required. If recusal is appropriate, the USAO will submit a written recusal request memorandum to GCO. GCO will then coordinate the recusal action, obtain necessary approvals for the recusal, and assist the office in arranging for a transfer of responsibility to another office, including any designations of attorneys as a Special Attorney or Special Assistant to the Attorney General (see <u>USAM 3-</u> <u>2.300</u>) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sec. 515. See USAP 3-2.170.001 (M)."

- Any letter of recommendation or other documentation John Ashcroft or Alberto Gonzales submitted to support appointment of Christie to Advisory Committee.
- Any records Christopher Christie authored or signed while serving on the Advisory Committee of United States Attorneys to the Attorney General and its subcommittees.
- Any records regarding Christopher Christie's assignments or work on the Advisory Committee of United States Attorneys to the Attorney General.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

Request Number: 09- 864 - 09-868

Dear Mr. Whelan:

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Requester:	Jeff Whelan	Request No.:	09-864	H.B	ากาก
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Subject: USAO NJ & nationwide prosecutions statistics/Data Analysis

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

Request No. 09-864

Dear Mr. Whelan:

In your request letter dated March 18, 2009, you asked for various records. Please be advised that the Data Analysis Staff has informed us that the information you seek pertaining to bullet one, the United States Attorneys Annual Statistical Report, is not sufficient to conduct a meaningful search. In an effort to assist us with conducting a search for records that might be responsive to your request, we need you to identify which table you are seeking.

If you have any questions about this letter you may call Attorney-Advisor Dione Stearns at 202-616-6757.

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1. Enclosed is an advance payment of \$______for search fees.

3. Please terminate the search. I am hereby withdrawing my request (Sign)

4. I agree to pay no more than \$______for search fees and no more than \$______for duplication fees. Please process my request accordingly.

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

Request Number: 09- 864 - 09-868

Dear Mr. Whelan:

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Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09, Inc. One Gateway Center Suite 1102 Newark, NJ 07102

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

_Request Number: 09-866

Subject of Request: <u>USAO NJ Staffing, Correspondences</u>

Dear Requester:

Your request for records under the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act has been processed. This letter constitutes a reply from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, the official record-keeper for all records located in this office and the various United States Attorneys' Offices.

To provide you the greatest degree of access authorized by the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act, we have considered your request in light of the provisions of both statutes.

The records you seek are located in a Privacy Act system of records that, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Attorney General, is exempt from the access provisions of the Privacy Act. 28 CFR § 16.81. We have also processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act and are making all records required to be released, or considered appropriate for release as a matter of discretion, available to you. This letter is a [X] partial [] full denial.

Enclosed please find:

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______ 445 ____ page(s) are being released in full (RIF);

_____ page(s) are being released in part (RIP);

<u>26</u> page(s) are withheld in full (WIF). The redacted/withheld documents were reviewed to determine if any information could be segregated for release.

The exemption(s) cited for withholding records or portions of records are marked below. An enclosure to this letter explains the exemptions in more detail.

	Section	552		Section 552a
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[] In addition, this office is withholding grand jury material which is retained in the District.

(Page 1 of 2) Form No. 021- no fee - 5/09 [X] A review of the material revealed:

[X] Our office located records that originated with another government component. These records were found in the U.S. Attorney's Office files and may or may not be responsive to your request. These records will be referred to the following component(s) listed for review and direct response to you: <u>Criminal Division</u>

[] There are public records which may be obtained from the clerk of the court or this office, upon specific request. If you wish to obtain a copy of these records, you must submit a new request. These records will be provided to you subject to copying fees.

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[X] See additional information attached.

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Sincerely,

William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

Enclosure(s)

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Continuation Sheet

Mr. Whelan:

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Please note that we assigned a corresponding number to each paragraph in your letter. We have enclosed the letter. There are 1 through 17 paragraphs. Paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 10, 14, 15, 16, and 17 have been referred to other agencies within Department of Justice for response.

Paragraph 4, we found no records in the file.

Paragraph 5, we gave this a new number, #09-865. It is being processed.

Paragraphs 6, 9, 11, 12, and 13, we are providing the documents.

Paragraph 7, You can reach Christopher Henry, Sr. Account Executive at 973-622-6111 for a fee. The address is Document Technologies, Inc., 60 Park Place, Lower Level, Newark, NJ 07102.

Paragraph 8, we are referring the documents to Criminal Division of Department of Justice for their determination and direct response to you.

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- Any records regarding Christopher Christie's assignments or work on the Advisory Committee of United States Attorneys to the Attorney General.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jeff Whelan Corzine '09 Inc. 973.643.0500 jwhelan@votecorzine09.com

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Requester:	Jeff Whelan	Request No.:	09-867			
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Subject: USA Christie recusal/General Counsel

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By making a FOIA/PA request, you have agreed to pay fees up to \$25, as stated in 28 CFR § 16.3(c), unless you have requested a fee waiver. Please note that pursuant to 28 CFR § 16.11, if you have not been granted a fee waiver, we are required to charge fees for time used to search for the documents you have requested and for duplication of all pages released to you. Normally, search time is charged at a rate of \$28 per hour after the first two hours which are free, and duplication fees are \$0.10 per page after the first 100 pages which are free. <u>Please do not</u> <u>send any payment at this time</u>! If we anticipate that fees will exceed \$25 or the amount you have stated in your letter (if greater than \$25), we will normally notify you of our estimate of fees. After we have received your agreement to pay for the expected fees (or you have narrowed your request to reduce fees) and we have processed your request, we will require payment for the accumulated charges before we release documents to you. Without such payment, your request file will be closed without further action.

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

Request Number: 09- 864 - 09-868

Dear Mr. Whelan:

This is in response to your letter dated <u>March 18, 2009</u> (and received in our office on March 18, 2009), in which you request expedited treatment of your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act request. As you may know, expedited treatment allows one requester to receive processing of his or her request ahead of other requesters who have already filed their requests. Not surprisingly, such a displacement of others who have legal rights to a prompt agency response cannot be done except under circumstances that clearly warrant the action, as carefully defined by agency regulation. The Department of Justice has published its rules for granting expedited processing at 28 Code of Federal Regulations § 16.5(d).

After careful consideration of your letter, I have concluded that you have not presented a case that would warrant granting expedited processing ahead of others. Your letter does not detail any circumstances that would allow me to grant your request. A person seeking expedited processing should show (1) circumstances in which the lack of expedited treatment could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual; (2) an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity, if made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information; (3) that a loss of substantial due process rights is involved; or (4) that the request involves a matter of widespread and exceptional media interest in which there exist possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence. Therefore, in the absence of any such justification, I must deny your request for expedited treatment. Your request under 28 CFR 16.5(d)(1)(iv) has been referred to the Office of Public Affairs under 28 CFR 16.5(d)(2).

We are proceeding to process your request in the normal order.

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Requester: Jeff Whelan	Request No.: 09-868 MAR 2 3 2009		

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FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

The following is letter amending my March 18, 2009 request under the Freedom of Information Act. It provides further support for the request to expedite this FOIA on an expedited basis.

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Mr. Christie was also widely criticized for his handling of case involving medical implant companies in a Medicare fraud case. The Asbury Park Press editorialized on Nov. 23, 2008 that if Mr. Christie chose to run for governor, "he would "have to explain the circumstances behind a no-bid contract worth up to \$52 million he awarded his former boss, U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft, to serve as federal monitor of a prosthetics manufacturer that admitted defrauding the public. The contract prompted congressional hearings into the way so-called deferred prosecution agreements were administered."

The Philadelphia Inquirer, in a Nov. 25, 2008 editorial, said Christie's actions in the Ashcroft matter showed a "significant ethical blind spot." The newspaper also questioned whether Christie politicized his office in other ways, writing, "It's true that Christie has not always been careful about matters of politics and ethics. He has at times crossed the line into inappropriate politicking in his speeches and appearances." U.S. Rep. Frank Pallone wrote a Sept. 2008 letter to then-U.S. Attorney Michael Mukasey, charging that Christie prepared his run for governor while still on the job as U.S. Attorney. "Christie and/or his political lieutenants have traveled around the state promoting his potential candidacy for governor in 2009," Pallone wrote at the time.

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please treat each item as its own separate request so that if information for one is readily available it is provided immediately, even if other information is still being compiled. (These records may reside in the Executive Office for United States Attorneys or elsewhere within the Department of Justice and or the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey – including any of its satellite offices throughout the state.)

Please provide:

• Any records that show the annual breakdown of prosecutions by type and or category for the U.S. Attorney's Office in New Jersey for each year from 2000 through 2008. Please include in this any reports and or data submitted to the DOJ for the U.S. Attorneys Annual Statistical Report, and or any reports issued to Congress that includes such information. (Please provide data in excel spreadsheet format if available)

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- Any records that show the same information for each of the 94 U.S. Attorney's Offices for same years.
- Any records (for same years) that show rankings of U.S. Attorney's office based on prosecutions (for example, ranking which district had most drug prosecutions. Please provide in excel spreadsheet format if available.)
- Any requests for first-class travel by Christopher Christie or his senior staff. (According to the United States Attorney Manual, 3-8.740, "requests for first class-travel requires approval of Deputy Director, RMP."
- All travel and expense records, including vouchers, reimbursements, etc., submitted on behalf of U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie and his senior staff, from Jan. 2002 through December 2008.
- All records of public events attended by U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie from Jan 2002 through December 2008. Please include schedules, calendars, briefing papers, emails, invitations, event programs, agendas, etc.
- Electronic files of all audio or video recordings made of U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie's press conferences from January 2002 through the present.
- The U.S. Attorney's Office District of New Jersey Office report 2002-2008 states the office won convictions against more than 130 public officials between 2002 and the end of Fiscal Year 2008. Please provide the records used to reach this tally and support this claim (with complete list of defendants and or case titles.) In recent public statements, the former U.S. Attorney has pegged this number at 136.
- Breakdown of staffing organization, by unit, department and or category for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of NJ for each of the years 2000 through December 2008. (Or any record which shows how staffing resources were being deployed to fight specific categories of crimes.)
- Emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications between U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie and Karl Rove or anyone at the White House or Republican National Committee. (Please include emails between Christie and RNC email accounts used by Rove and other White House staff).
- Emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications between Christopher Christie and Monica Goodling
- All correspondence between the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey and attorneys for Stryker Orthopedics Inc. (including, but not limited to, Stern & Kilcullen).
- Any emails between Christopher Christie and wpalatucci@dhplaw.net
- Any records regarding an attempt by Christopher Christie, as U.S. Attorney, to

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obtain a recusal. According to the U.S. Attorney's Manual, chapter 3-2.170, "A United States Attorney who becomes aware of circumstances that might necessitate a recusal of himself/herself or of the entire office, should promptly notify GCO, EOUSA, at (202) 514-4024 to discuss whether a recusal is required. If recusal is appropriate, the USAO will submit a written recusal request memorandum to GCO. GCO will then coordinate the recusal action, obtain necessary approvals for the recusal, and assist the office in arranging for a transfer of responsibility to another office, including any designations of attorneys as a Special Attorney or Special Assistant to the Attorney General (see <u>USAM 3-</u> <u>2.300</u>) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sec. 515. See USAP 3-2.170.001 (M)."

- Any letter of recommendation or other documentation John Ashcroft or Alberto Gonzales submitted to support appointment of Christie to Advisory Committee.
- Any records Christopher Christie authored or signed while serving on the Advisory Committee of United States Attorneys to the Attorney General and its subcommittees.
- Any records regarding Christopher Christie's assignments or work on the Advisory Committee of United States Attorneys to the Attorney General, or any records from the committee in which he was mentioned.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jeff Whelan

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Requester: Jeff Whelan

Request Number: 09-868

Subject of Request: USA Christie (Ag Adv. Com)

Dear Requester:

Your request for records under the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act has been processed. This letter constitutes a reply from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, the official recordkeeper for all records located in this office and the various United States Attorneys' offices. To provide the greatest degree of access authorized by the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act, we have considered your request in light of the provisions of both statutes.

All of the records you seek are being made available to you. We have processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act and are making all records required to be released, or considered appropriate for release as a matter of discretion, available to you. This letter is a full release.

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- [] A review of the material revealed:
- [] ______ pages originated with another government component. These records were found in the U.S. Attorney's Office files and may or may not be responsive to your request. These records will be referred to the component(s) listed for review and direct response to you:______.
- [] There are public records which may be obtained from the clerk of the court or this office, upon specific request. If you wish to obtain a copy of these records, you must submit a new request. These records will be provided to you subject to copying fees.
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- [] See additional information attached.

(Page 1 of 2) No. 021A - no fee - 2/09 This is the final action on this above-numbered request. You may appeal this decision on this request by writing to the Office of Information and Privacy, United States Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001. Both the letter and envelope should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Your request must be received by OIP within 60 days from the date of this letter. If you are dissatisfied with the results of any such administrative appeal, judicial review may thereafter be available in U.S. District Court, 28 C.F.R. § 16.9.

Sincerely, sto

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Earlier today, the latest in a series of reports about Mr. Christie's appointments to serve as federal monitors appeared on the website of the Star-Ledger newspaper in New Jersey (<u>http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2009/04/gop_candidate_chris_christie_f.html</u>). The article reported:

Questions have also been raised over his selection of two other monitors: former U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft and David Kelley, former U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York. In 2007, Christie chose them and three other attorneys to perform 18 months of oversight of major orthopedic implant companies accused of violating federal anti-kickback laws. Ashcroft, Christie's former boss, was chosen to monitor one of the companies, Zimmer Inc., in a contract worth as much as \$52 million. Kelley was chosen to monitor Biomet, Inc., but the value of that contract has not been disclosed.

Kelley investigated a 2005 stock fraud case involving Christie's brother, Todd Christie. Todd Christie was not indicted on criminal charges, although 15 other Wall Street specialists were.

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records for the time period beginning December 20, 2001 and ending December 31, 2008:

- All written communications, emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications between United States Attorney David N. Kelley and the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey.
- All written communications, emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications between United States Attorney Christopher J. Christie and the office of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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May 6, 2009

FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to inform you of a new address to be used for further correspondence related to FOIA requests that I submitted on the following dates:

April 6, 2009 (Request No. 09-1187) April 23, 2009 (2 separate requests faxed in) May 1, 2009

The new address to send correspondence related to these requests is:

Adam Herbsman Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street 1st Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to my requests.

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request No. 09-1187

Dear Mr. Herbsman:

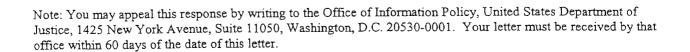
In your request letter dated April 6, 2009, you asked for all records of communications from December 2001 to December 2008 between the NJ-USAO and former New York USA Kelley as well as all communications between the NY-USAO and former New Jersey USA Christie. Please be advised that the District of New Jersey has informed us that the information you seek is not sufficient to conduct a meaningful search. For example, it is not clear whether this would include routine communications concerning specific cases and administrative matters - which would be voluminous. In an effort to assist us with conducting a search for records that might be responsive to your request, we need you to clarify or narrow your request.

If you have any questions about this letter you may call Attorney-Advisor John Boseker at 202-616-6757.

Per 28 C.F.R. 16.11(I), your request is not considered received until we received a response from you. Please respond within 30 days of the date of this letter, or this matter will be closed. If you wish, you may use the attached form to indicate your wishes. If you have any questions, please call Attorney-Advisor John Boseker at 202-616-6757.

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There have recently been numerous news reports about Mr. Christie's appointments to serve as independent monitors of deferred prosecution agreements. A recent editorial by the Philadelphia Inquirer entitled "Deferred thinking" stated the following:

The main rationale for Chris Christie's current run for New Jersey governor is his impressive record as a fearless U.S. attorney who busted scores of high-profile targets in the corruption-infested Garden State.

But a few instances of questionable blind spots continue to haunt Christie's reputation for strong ethics.

The cases involve Christie's use of so-called deferred-prosecution agreements. These have become a popular tool with U.S. attorneys because they allow them to forgo indicting a defendant

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- often a corporation that could be forced out of business - in return for the firing of wrongdoers and changing bad behavior.

As part of the agreement, the U.S. attorney selects an independent monitor to oversee the reforms for a set time. The defendant pays the monitor - usually a former judge or prosecutor - a lucrative fee for the work.

Christie's clumsy use of this tool first came under fire after he appointed his onetime supervisor, former Attorney General John Ashcroft, to monitor a medical-device company accused of giving kickbacks to doctors. The monitoring job ended up being worth as much as \$52 million.

In another case, Christie appointed David Kelley, the former U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York, to oversee a different medical-device company. Kelley's office had investigated Christie's younger brother, Todd, in a stock-fraud case a couple of years earlier and decided not to prosecute him.

A third deferred prosecution agreement has become a recent campaign issue. Christie got about \$24,000 in contributions connected with the firm of Herb Stern, who served as Christie's monitor of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. The value of the donations is increased by public financing, which matches them, 2-1.

Deferred prosecution agreements can serve a legitimate purpose, especially when - as in the UMDNJ case - indictment seems less important than reform. But when a prosecutor can single-: handedly choose a monitor, it's akin to awarding a no-bid contract. That's why there can be no appearance of a conflict or payback.

Given Christie's strong record in rooting out corruption, he should have chosen his monitors with more care, or avoided accepting donations from them later.

Surely Christie could have found some with whom he had a more arm's-length relationship than his former boss, his brother's investigator, and a man now connected to more than \$70,000 in support for his campaign.

Christie's weak responses to critics of these arrangements show he either doesn't understand or doesn't care how they violate the principles he championed as U.S. attorney.

Clearly, the campaign donations tied to Stern's firm raise questions about inappropriate synergy between Christie the prosecutor and Christie the politician. These questions are unlikely ever to be answered with certainty, which is precisely why Christie shouldn't have caused them to be raised in the first place.

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

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• Former United States Attorney Christopher J. Christie and/or the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey entered into at least seven deferred prosecution agreements or non-prosecution agreements between 2002 and 2009. These

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agreements involved the selection of federally appointed independent monitors. Please provide all invoices, bills and supporting documentation and itemization (for invoices and bills) that any such monitors submitted to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey, the U.S. Department of Justice, or the entities under monitoring. This request includes any invoices, bills, supporting documentation, and itemization submitted by independent monitors overseeing deferred prosecution or non-prosecution agreements involving, but not limited to, the following entities:

Biomet Inc. Bristol-Myers Squibb Company DePuy Orthopaedics Inc. Smith & Nephew Inc. Stryker Orthopedics (division of Howmedica Osteonics Corp) University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey Zimmer Inc.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

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Requester:	Adam Herbsman	Request No.:	09-1507			
Subject:	Federal Monitors/DNJ			MAY	-6	2009

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Request Number: 09-1507	Date of Receipt: <u>04/23/09</u>					
Requester: Adam Herbsman	AUG 1 4 2009					
Subject: Federal Monitors						

Dear Requester:

In response to your Freedom of Information Act and/or Privacy Act request, the paragraph(s) checked below apply:

- 1. [] A search for records located in EOUSA ______ has revealed no responsive records regarding the above subject.
- 2. [X] A search for records located in the United States Attorney's Office(s) for the <u>District of</u> <u>New Jersey</u> has revealed no responsive records regarding the above subject.
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News reports about the deferred prosecution agreement Mr. Christie reached with Bristol-Myers Squibb in 2005 have focused on the endowment of a faculty chair in business ethics and corporate governance at Seton Hall University School of Law. A May 25, 2008 article in the *Star-Ledger* newspaper included the following:

U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie, who is accustomed to burnishing his image as a corruption buster, found himself in a small ethics flap three years ago when he struck a deal with Bristol-Myers Squibb that allowed the drugmaker to avoid criminal prosecution for fraud by paying \$300 million and enacting a series of corporate reforms.

In an unusual move, Bristol-Myers also agreed to endow a chair in business ethics

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at Seton Hall University School of Law. Critics, noting the school was Christie's alma mater, called it a conflict of interest.

Christie rejected such attacks at the time, saying the idea of endowing the chair was first brought up by Bristol-Myers and he only approached Seton Hall after learning Rutgers University already had a chair for business ethics and corporate governance.

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

• All written communications, emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications related to endowing any academic chair or faculty position at any college or university between Bristol-Myers Squibb or attorneys representing the company, and former United States Attorney Christopher J. Christie or the office of the United States Attorney for District of New Jersey.

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Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Adam Herbsman Corzine '09 Inc. 973.643.0500 aherbsman@votecorzine09.com



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Requester:	Adam	Herbsman	Request No.:	09-1516	MAY - 6
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Subject: USA Christie (Communications with Bristol-Myers Squibb)/DNJ

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Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

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Subject: USA Christie (correspondence)/DNJ

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Subject: USA Christie (SEC Communications)/DNJ

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Subject: US Christie (Sec Communications)

Dear Requester:

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In response to your Freedom of Information Act and/or Privacy Act request, the paragraph(s) checked below apply:

- 1. [] A search for records located in EOUSA ______ has revealed no responsive records regarding the above subject.
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Requester: Adam Herbsman	Request No.: 09-2712	AUG ⁻ 4 2009	

Subject: USA Christie (see communications)/NYS

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Sincerely, Lilli- G. Shade

William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request Number: 09-2712

Subject of Request: Todd Christie

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We will release, if requested, any public records maintained in our files, such as court records and news clippings, without the express authorization of the third party, a death certificate, or public justification for release. If you desire to obtain public records, if public records exist in our files, please reply with a letter asking for the public documents. **Please send your letter to the address above.** 

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Note: Please disregard acknowledgment letter dated August 4, 2009. The subject matter of your request was mis-interpreted.

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July 22, 2009

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Requester:	Adam Herbsman	Request No.:	09-2758	

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Subject: USA Christie (FOIA Requests)

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# ADDENDUM FOR SPLIT REQUESTS

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This request has been split into 2 separate files ("requests"), as noted below, for the separate districts and/or subjects mentioned in the request letter. We have assigned the 2 requests the following numbers:

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09-2759	New Jersey FOIA Requests - Third Parties

Requester will receive separate correspondence (acknowledgment letter or closing letter) for each file ("request") above. We will process each file ("request") separately and send a response on each as soon as it is finished.

Adam Herbsman 09-2758

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Note: Your request is being expedited.

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request Number: 09-2758

Subject of Request: FOIA Requests

Dear Requester:

Your request for records under the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act has been processed. This letter constitutes a reply from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, the official record-keeper for all records located in this office and the various United States Attorneys' Offices.

To provide you the greatest degree of access authorized by the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act, we have considered your request in light of the provisions of both statutes.

The records you seek are located in a Privacy Act system of records that, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Attorney General, is exempt from the access provisions of the Privacy Act. 28 CFR § 16.81. We have also processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act and are making all records required to be released, or considered appropriate for release as a matter of discretion, available to you. This letter is a [X] partial [ ] full denial.

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The exemption(s) cited for withholding records or portions of records are marked below. An enclosure to this letter explains the exemptions in more detail.

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[ ] In addition, this office is withholding grand jury material which is retained in the District.

(Page 1 of 2) Form No. 021- no fee - 5/09 [ ] A review of the material revealed:

[ ] Our office located records that originated with another government component. These records were found in the U.S. Attorney's Office files and may or may not be responsive to your request. These records will be referred to the following component(s) listed for review and direct response to you:

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[ ] See additional information attached.

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request Number: 09-2759 Date of Receipt: July 23, 2009

Subject of Request: New Jersey FOIA Requests-Third Parties

Dear Requester:

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys has received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act request. It has been assigned the above number.

It is the policy of the Executive Office neither to confirm nor deny that records concerning living third parties exist. Further, any release to you of such records, if they do exist, would be in violation of the Privacy Act. 5 U.S.C. § 552a. The requested material would also be exempt from release pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) and/or (b)(7)(C) which pertain to records whose disclosure would result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

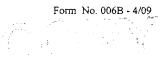
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July 31, 2009

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Please provide the following records:

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office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, or any individuals who work for the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey.

Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Request Number: 09-2800

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Subject of Request: Chris Christie (USAO NJ Communications)

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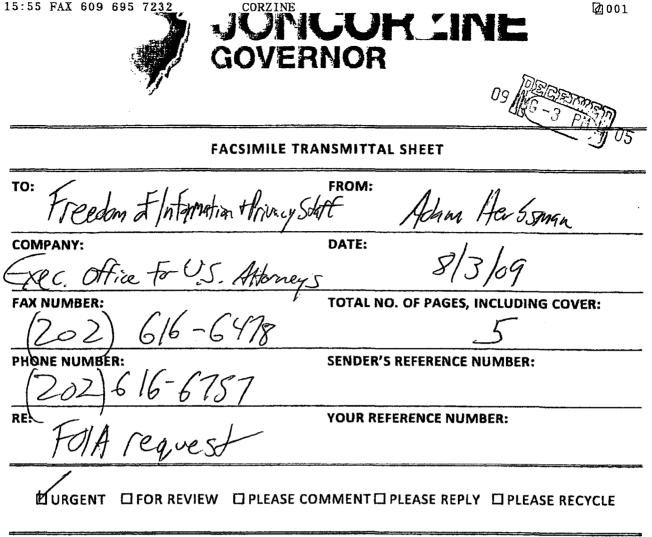
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August 3, 2009

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Recent news reports have focused on the role Mr. Christie might have played in the U.S. government's criminal case against Morton Salkind, who pleaded guilty in one of the largest tax evasion scams in New Jersey's history. On July 29, 2009, the Star-Ledger newspaper posted on its website an article entitled "Whistleblower lawsuit targets Chris Christie's role in federal fraud plea." This article reported the following:

A developer who says he tipped off federal agents to one of the largest tax frauds in New Jersey history contends that connections between the defendant's attorneys and then-U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie paved the way for a lenient plea deal and has blocked him from collecting hundreds of thousands of dollars in whistleblower payments.

The developer, Samuel Yarosh, claims in a lawsuit that prosecutors ignored evidence of tens of millions of dollars in additional fraud committed by his onetime associate, Morton Salkind. His suit contends that authorities instead let Salkind to plead guilty to a smaller fraud and have not tried to enforce an order for Salkind to repay the government \$17.5 million.

Yarosh argues that Salkind got a sweetheart deal after hiring Herbert Stern and John Inglesino to defend him, two attorneys with longstanding ties to Christie.

A spokeswoman for Christie's campaign said he had no influence in Salkind's case and called the suit "a politically charged" salvo by a money-seeking litigant. Stern called it "frivolous."

The lawsuit, filed in Philadelphia, rehashes some allegations that Yarosh first made in a civil racketeering case five years ago. That case, in which Yarosh claimed Salkind cheated him out of millions of dollars in a Rockaway Township development, was dismissed by a New Jersey judge but ultimately led to the IRS investigation into Salkind.

Yarosh's new filing reframes the accusations and attempts to tie them to Christie and his bid this year to unseat Gov. Jon Corzine.

Yarosh claims he spent five years feeding agents and prosecutors evidence that Salkind and his wife, Carole, former residents of Denville, hid millions of dollars in taxable income. Federal law allows whistleblowers in such cases to collect a portion - in some cases, up to 25 percent - of any money recovered. (The government has never publicly identified Yarosh as a whistleblower, but Salkind's attorneys have acknowledged his lawsuit spurred the criminal case.)

In May 2008, Salkind, then 75, admitted to the fraud in court and pledged to repay \$17.5 million in back taxes within six months. Under the agreement negotiated by Stern's firm and prosecutors, Salkind officially pleaded guilty to just a single count of tax evasion of a much smaller amount -- \$276,000 - that he failed to pay in 2001. The four-page charging document outlining the crime was signed by Christie.

Federal guidelines recommend a prison sentence between 18 and 24 months for Salkind's crime -- a range that would have been higher if he pleaded guilty to a multimillion-dollar fraud. His attorneys are expected argue for even less at his Aug. 13 sentencing, citing his age, health and lack of prior record.

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Salkind has since paid \$11.5 million to the government, but now claims he can't pay the rest. Earlier this year, he filed for bankruptcy.

Yarosh contends that Salkind got favorable treatment because Stern and Inglesino have "close, personal relationships with Christie" and that he will lose hundreds of thousands of dollars because of it. He says he has shown IRS agents proof that Salkind has wired millions money to a convicted swindler in Florida and transferred money to the Philippines in an investment scheme involving gold, even as he claims to be broke.

"Despite all of this information...the U.S. Attorney has taken no steps to withdraw the plea agreement or freeze (Salkind's) assets," the complaint states.

His suit asks a judge to order the agency to pay him and to seize Salkind's assets for the rest.

A spokeswoman for Christie's campaign denied Christie had any role in Salkind's plea agreement and said the former U.S. Attorney wasn't even aware of the case until asked about it by a reporter this week.

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"It's rather clear that it's nothing more than an unsubstantiated, politically charged document by someone motivated by nothing more than money," said the spokeswoman, Maria Comella.

Stern is a former federal judge and prosecutor whom Christie has described as a mentor. While a prosecutor, Christie appointed Stern's firm to a multimillion-dollar contract monitoring the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Stern said he had not seen Yarosh's new lawsuit but said, "These allegations as frivolous as the ones he brought years ago -- and those were thrown out of court without him even getting a trial." Inglesino, a longtime friend and fund-raiser for Christie, now works for Stern's firm. Earlier this year, one of Christie's rivals for the nomination said that Inglesino offered him a bribe to drop out of the primary race, a claim Inglesino denied.

Inglesino did not respond to a call seeking comment.

Spokesmen for the IRS and U.S. Attorney's Office declined comment.

Yarosh's attorney, Mark Halpern, declined to detail the allegations but said he would in court. He said he filed the suit in Pennsylvania because of the sensitive allegations about New Jersey officials.

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Yarosh, a onetime Rockaway Township councilman, was a political rival to Inglesino when both were municipal officials in the 1990s. He once was a Republican but now is a registered Democrat in Florida.

In an interview this week, he said his complaint wasn't politically motivated and that he has little interest in who wins the governor's race.

"None whatsoever," he said.

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

 Any documents, briefs, memos or communications (including written communications, emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records) that were either authored by or include the name or signature of former United States Attorney Christopher J. Christie and are related in any way to the criminal case of United States of America v. Salkind (Case 2:08 –cr00383-DMC).

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Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

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Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request Number: 09-2817

Subject of Request: US v. Salkind (Christie Records)

Dear Requester:

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys has received your Freedom of Information Act request and assigned the above number to the request.

You have requested records concerning a third party (or third parties). Records pertaining to a third party generally cannot be released absent express authorization and consent of the third party, proof that the subject of your request is deceased, or a clear demonstration that the public interest in disclosure outweighs the personal privacy interest and that significant public benefit would result from the disclosure of the requested records. Since you have not furnished a release, death certificate, or public justification for release, the release of records concerning a third party would result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and would be in violation of the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C.§ 552a. These records are also generally exempt from disclosure pursuant to sections (b)(6) and (b)(7)(C) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

We will release, if requested, any public records maintained in our files, such as court records and news clippings, without the express authorization of the third party, a death certificate, or public justification for release. If you desire to obtain public records, if public records exist in our files, please reply with a letter asking for the public documents. **Please send your letter to the address above.**

Should you obtain the written authorization and consent of the third party for release of the records to you, please submit a new request for the documents accompanied by the written authorization. A form is enclosed to assist you in providing us the authorization and consent of the subject of your request. Your name should appear in the section titled "Optional." The authorization must be notarized or signed under penalty of perjury pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. **Please send your new request to the address above.**

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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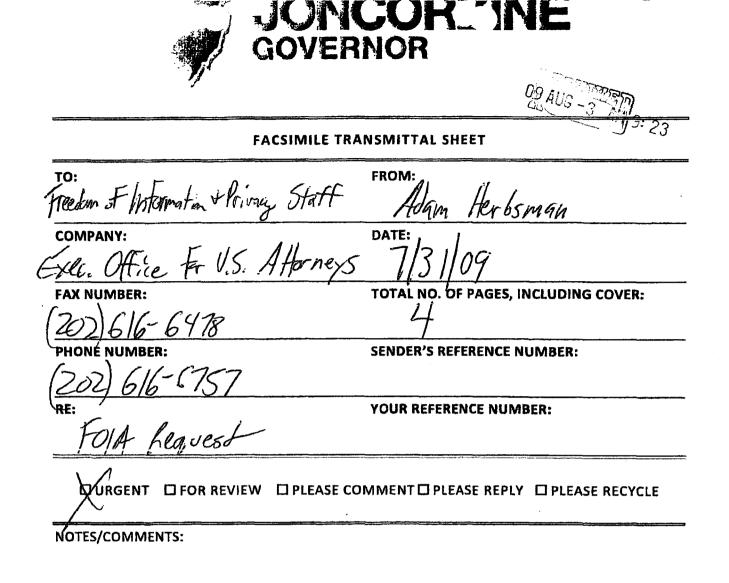
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July 31, 2009

FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

To whom it may concern:

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Obviously, Mr. Christie's record as U.S. Attorney is and will increasingly become "the subject of widespread and exceptional media interest." Independent news media reports have raised questions about Mr. Christie's conduct in office and his bid for governor, justifying further inspection of his entire record. This request therefore involves "possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence."

There have been numerous news reports about Mr. Christie's appointments to serve as independent monitors of deferred prosecution agreements. An April 16th 2009 editorial by the Philadelphia Inquirer entitled "Deferred thinking" stated the following:

The main rationale for Chris Christie's current run for New Jersey governor is his impressive record as a fearless U.S. attorney who busted scores of high-profile targets in the corruption-infested Garden State.

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But a few instances of questionable blind spots continue to haunt Christie's reputation for strong ethics.

The cases involve Christie's use of so-called deferred-prosecution agreements. These have become a popular tool with U.S. attorneys because they allow them to forgo indicting a defendant - often a corporation that could be forced out of business - in return for the firing of wrongdoers and changing bad behavior.

As part of the agreement, the U.S. attorney selects an independent monitor to oversee the reforms for a set time. The defendant pays the monitor - usually a former judge or prosecutor - a lucrative fee for the work.

Christie's clumsy use of this tool first came under fire after he appointed his onetime supervisor, former Attorney General John Ashcroft, to monitor a medical-device company accused of giving kickbacks to doctors. The monitoring job ended up being worth as much as \$52 million.

In another case, Christie appointed David Kelley, the former U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York, to oversee a different medical-device company. <u>Kelley's office had investigated Christie's younger brother, Todd, in a stock-fraud</u> case a couple of years earlier and decided not to prosecute him.

A third deferred prosecution agreement has become a recent campaign issue. Christie got about \$24,000 in contributions connected with the firm of Herb Stern, who served as Christie's monitor of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. The value of the donations is increased by public financing, which matches them, 2-1.

Deferred prosecution agreements can serve a legitimate purpose, especially when - as in the UMDNJ case - indictment seems less important than reform. But when a prosecutor can single-handedly choose a monitor, it's akin to awarding a no-bid contract. That's why there can be no appearance of a conflict or payback.

Given Christie's strong record in rooting out corruption, he should have chosen his monitors with more care, or avoided accepting donations from them later.

Surely Christie could have found some with whom he had a more arm's-length relationship than his former boss, his brother's investigator, and a man now connected to more than \$70,000 in support for his campaign.

Christie's weak responses to critics of these arrangements show he either doesn't understand or doesn't care how they violate the principles he championed as U.S. attorney.

Clearly, the campaign donations tied to Stern's firm raise questions about inappropriate synergy between Christie the prosecutor and Christie the politician.

These questions are unlikely ever to be answered with certainty, which is precisely why Christie shouldn't have caused them to be raised in the first place.

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records for the time period beginning December 20, 2001 and ending December 31, 2008:

 Any written communications, emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications between former United States Attorney Christopher J. Christie or his office and any of the following: Herbert J. Stern, John P. Inglesino, or any attorney or employee from the law firm of Stern & Kilcullen of Roseland, New Jersey (Mr. Stern and Mr. Inglesino are partners at the firm of Stern & Kilcullen).

Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Requester: Adam Herbsman Request No.: 09-2819

Subject: USA Christie (Specific Records)/DNJ

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) has received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request. It has been assigned the above number. <u>Please give us this number if you write about your request</u>. If we need additional information, we will contact you within two weeks.

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Sincerely,

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Note: Your request is being expedited.



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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request No. 09-2819

Dear Mr. Herbsman:

In your request letter dated July 31, 2009, you asked for records relating to the former United States Attorney for New Jersey, Christopher Christie. Please be advised that the District of New Jersey has informed us that the information you seek is not sufficient to conduct a meaningful search. In an effort to assist us with conducting a search for records that might be responsive to your request, we need you to provide a case number.

If you have any questions about this letter you may call Attorney-Advisor Dione Stearns at 202-616-6757.

Per 28 C.F.R. 16.11(i), your request is not considered received until we receive a response from you. Please respond within 30 days of the date of this letter, or this matter will be closed. If you wish, you may use the attached form to indicate your wishes. If you have any questions, please call Attorney Advisor Dione Stearns at 202-616-6757.

Sincerely,

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

Note: You may appeal this response by writing to the Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, Suite 11050, Washington D.C. 20530-0001. Your letter must be received by that office within 60 days of the date of this letter.

Requester: Adam Herbsman Request: 09-2819

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1. Enclosed is an advance payment of \$_____for search fees.

3. Please terminate the search. I am hereby withdrawing my request (Sign)

4. I agree to pay no more than \$______ for search fees and no more than \$______ for duplication fees. Please process my request accordingly.

5. I wish to reformulate my request to include only the following documents:

(Please note that a search for specific records may increase search time and fees).

6. Please do not search any longer. I understand that I am entitled to the first 100 pages free. If you have found releasable documents, send me the free documents and close my case.

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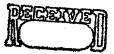
Please return to:

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August 14, 2009

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Considering the above information, I respectfully request the request below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

• Any written communications, advisory opinions, records or documents related to any requests by Christopher J. Christie, the former United States Attorney for the

District of New Jersey, for an advisory opinion concerning the Hatch Act at any time during his tenure as US attorney. This request covers Mr. Christie's entire tenure as U.S. Attorney (December 2001 to December 2008) and includes all requests filed by Mr. Christie, as well as any requests made on his behalf.

Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

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Requester: Adam Herbsman Request No.: 09-2906

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Subject: USA Christie (Hatch Act)/DNJ

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) has received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request. It has been assigned the above number. <u>Please give us this number if you write about your request</u>. If we need additional information, we will contact you within two weeks.

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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File ("Request") Number	Subject
09-2906	USA Christie (Hatch Act)/DNJ
_09-2907	USA Christie (Hatch Act)/General Counsel

Requester will receive separate correspondence (acknowledgment letter or closing letter) for each file ("request") above. We will process each file ("request") separately and send a response on each as soon as it is finished.

Adam Herbsman #09-2906 & 09-2907

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request Number: 09-2906 Date of Receipt: August 14, 2009

Subject: USA Christie (Hatch Act)

Dear Requester:

In response to your Freedom of Information Act and/or Privacy Act request, the paragraph(s) checked below apply:

- 1. [] A search for records located in EOUSA ______ has revealed no responsive records regarding the above subject.
- 2. [X] A search for records located in the United States Attorney's Office(s) for the <u>District</u> of New Jersey has revealed no responsive records regarding the above subject.
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Phone 609) 645-7190- 05 (1991) 695-7232 2009 AUG 14 PM 7.45 DEPT. OF JUSTICE/EOUSA FAX TO: FOIA/PRIVALY STAFF From: Adam HEISSMAN (202) 616-6478 3 Fax Pages; 8/14/09 (2) 6166757 Date: Phone: 2 REQUES CC: Re: □ Please Reply □ Urgent □ For Review □ Please Comment 09-2907



August 14, 2009

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Requester: Adam Herbsman Request No.: 09-2907

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Subject: USA Christie (Hatch Act)/General Counsel

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Adam Herbsman #09-2906 & 09-2907

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Requester: Adam Herbsman

Request Number: 09-2907 Date of Receipt: August 14, 2009

Subject: USA Christie (Hatch Act)

Dear Requester:

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August 10, 2009

FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

To whom it may concern:

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Over the course of the past several months, Mr. Christie's record as U.S. Attorney has increasingly become "the subject of widespread and exceptional media interest." Independent news media reports have raised questions about Mr. Christie's conduct in office and his bid for governor, justifying further inspection of his entire record. This request therefore involves "possible questions about the government's integrity which affect public confidence."

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

• All schedules and calendars for former United States Attorney Christopher Christie from January 2002 through December 2008.

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Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Executive Office for United States Attorneys Freedom of Information & Privacy Staff 600 E Street, N.W., Suite 7300, Bicentennial Building Washington, DC 20530-0001 (202) 616-6757 FAX: 616-6478 (www.usdoj.gov/usao)

Requester: Adam Herbsman	Request No.:	09-2981	AUG	19	2009
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Subject: USA Christie (calendar, etc.)/DNJ

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) has received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request. It has been assigned the above number. <u>Please give us this number if you write about your request</u>. If we need additional information, we will contact you within two weeks.

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Sincerely,

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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Adam Herbsman #09-2981

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Note: Your request is being expedited.

Joyner, Tina (USAEO)

From: Sent: To: Subject: Bryant, Gisele (USANJ) Monday, September 28, 2009 12:44 PM Joyner, Tina (USAEO) RE: USA Christie records

Hi Tina—I am faxing over the 2008 telephone listing of staff employed at time just before Christie left. I requested human resources compile a list of attorneys who are not on the telephone list but were employed by the office during the time period of the messages. Upon receipt I will fax that to you as well.

Gisele

From: Joyner, Tina (USAEO) Sent: Saturday, September 26, 2009 3:59 PM To: Bryant, Gisele (USANJ) Subject: USA Christie records

Hi, Gisele:

Currently, I am working on FOIA request #09-2981 regarding the phone calls and messages. I see some of USAO staffs' names on the messages. I am wondering if it is possible for you to fax me all the staffs' names and office phone numbers. That would help me to redact some names and numbers. The fax number is 202-616-6478. Hope to hear from you soon!

Thanks!

Tina Joyner Paralegal Specialist EOUSA – FOIA/PA Staff Washington, D.C.

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	Executive Office for United States Attorneys Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Staff 600 E Street, N.W., Room 7300 Washington, D.C. 20530 202-616-6757 Fax 202-616-6478
Requester: Adam Herbsman/Corzine '09 Inc.	Request Number: 09-2981

Subject of Request: Christie Phone Call Messages (2002-2008)

Dear Mr. Herbsman:

Your request for records under the Freedom of Information Actt has been processed. This letter constitutes a reply from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, the official record-keeper for all records located in this office and the various United States Attorneys' Offices.

This office is providing you the greatest degree of access authorized by the Freedom of Information Act, and we are making all records required to be released, or considered appropriate for release as a matter of discretion, available to you. This letter is a partial release of 1753 pages of material. [Please note: volume and time constraints prohibited the ordinary individual exemption markings on each page.]

The exemption(s) cited for withholding records or portions of records are marked below. An enclosure to this letter explains the exemptions in more detail.

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[X] After reviewing all the documents, we have determined that we can make a partial release. You previously agreed to pay search and/or copying costs. A \$______ review, \$______ search, and/or \$<u>175.30</u>_ copying fee is being assessed for these records. If you would like these records, please send a check or money order for \$<u>175.30</u>, payable to the Treasury of the United States. Payment should be mailed to the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Staff, 600 E Street, N.W., Room 7300, Washington, D.C. 20530. If payment is not received within 30 days from the date of this letter, your request will be closed and any future requests for records will be rejected until payment is received.

This is the final action this office will take concerning your request.

You may appeal my decision to withhold records in this matter by writing within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter, to:

Office of Information and Privacy United States Department of Justice Flag Building, Suite 570 Washington, D.C. 20530

Both the envelope and letter of appeal must be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Appeal."

After the appeal has been decided, you may have judicial review by filing a complaint in the United States District Court for the judicial district in which you reside or have your principal place of business; the judicial district in which the requested records are located; or in the District of Columbia.

Sincerely, Will iam G. Stewart II Assistant Director

Enclosure(s)

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Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09, Inc. One Gateway Center Suite 1102 Newark, NJ 07102

19 OCT 2009

Re: FOIA Request, #09-2981

Dear Mr. Herbsman:

In this request, there are two different groups of documents. One group has calendars and other group has phone call messages. Our office is releasing the calendars to you and please be advised that the phone call messages are still in process.

We have 416 pages of all of Mr. Christie's calendars. The copying fee for this is \$41.60.

We will continually bill you separately for each additional Corzine '09, Inc. request. You will not receive two hours search nor 100 pages free for any future requests.

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Sincerely. am G. Stewart II

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August 19, 2009

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Recent news reports have focused on Mr. Christie's failure to disclose a personal loan of \$46,000 that he made to Michele Brown, currently the first assistant to the United States Attorney. According to an August 17, 2009 article in the New York Times, "In 2007, while he was New Jersey's ranking federal prosecutor, Christopher J. Christie — now the Republican candidate for governor — lent one of his top aides \$46,000. But he failed to report the loan as required under federal and state ethics rules. The aide, Michele A. Brown, borrowed the money from Mr. Christie while he was United States attorney for New Jersey and she was his executive assistant and counsel, according to mortgage

records in Morris County, N.J. Ms. Brown was promoted to first assistant United States attorney after Mr. Christie resigned last December to begin his campaign for governor." The New York Times also reported on August 18, 2009 that Mr. Christie failed to report the loan on his income tax returns.

Considering the above information, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

- A complete history of all promotions and salaries since FY 2000 by Michele Brown, who is currently the First Assistant United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey.
- Any written communications, emails, or any other records of communications since December 2001 between former U.S. Attorney Christopher J. Christie and Michele Brown that address or refer to the personal finances of either party, including, but not limited to, any loan or mortgage provided by Mr. Christie to Ms. Brown.

Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Requester: Adam Herbsman			
Request Number: 09-2984	AUG	20	2009
Subject of Request: FAUSA Michele Brown	(Promotions, Loans)		

Dear Requester:

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys has received your Freedom of Information Act request and assigned the above number to the request.

You have requested records concerning a third party (or third parties). Records pertaining to a third party generally cannot be released absent express authorization and consent of the third party, proof that the subject of your request is deceased, or a clear demonstration that the public interest in disclosure outweighs the personal privacy interest and that significant public benefit would result from the disclosure of the requested records. Since you have not furnished a release, death certificate, or public justification for release, the release of records concerning a third party would result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and would be in violation of the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C.§ 552a. These records are also generally exempt from disclosure pursuant to sections (b)(6) and (b)(7)(C) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

We will release, if requested, any public records maintained in our files, such as court records and news clippings, without the express authorization of the third party, a death certificate, or public justification for release. If you desire to obtain public records, if public records exist in our files, please reply with a letter asking for the public documents. **Please send your letter to the address above.**

Should you obtain the written authorization and consent of the third party for release of the records to you, please submit a new request for the documents accompanied by the written authorization. A form is enclosed to assist you in providing us the authorization and consent of the subject of your request. Your name should appear in the section titled "Optional." The authorization must be notarized or signed under penalty of perjury pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. **Please send your new request to the address above.**

[] Please note that your original letter was split into separate files ("requests"), for processing purposes, based on the nature of what of what you sought. Each file will have a separate Request Number (listed below), for which you will receive a separate response:

(Page 1 of 2) Form No. 006 - 4/09 This is our final action on this above-numbered request. You may appeal this decision in this matter by writing to the **Office of Information Policy**, **Department of Justice**, **1425** New York Avenue, **Suite 11050**, **Washington**, **D.C. 20530-0001**. Both the envelope and the letter of appeal should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be received by OIP within 60 days from the date of this letter. If you are dissatisfied with the results of any such administrative appeal, judicial review may thereafter be available in U.S. District Court. 28 C.F.R. § 16.9.

Sincerely,

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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August 14, 2009

Mr. William G. Stewart II Assistant Director FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

Dear Mr. Stewart:

I am writing to follow up on our conversation that took place on August 17th regarding FOIA Request Number 09-2800, which asked for any records of communications since December 1, 2008 between Christopher J. Christie and Acting United States Attorney Ralph Marra, the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, or any individuals who work for the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey. On August 14, 2009, we received a denial of our request and instructions on how to appeal.

In our August 17 conversation you explained that the Executive Office had interpreted the request as applying only to communications from Mr. Christie, as opposed to communications sent to Mr. Christie from the other entities listed in the request. As you and I discussed, the request was intended to apply both to communications from Mr. Christie and communications to Mr. Christie that originated from any of the other parties listed (United States Attorney Ralph Marra, the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, or any individuals who work for the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey).

Per your instructions, I am submitting this letter for the purpose of renewing the request with a new request number so that your office can fulfill our interest in receiving any records of communications to Mr. Christie from Acting United States Attorney Ralph Marra, the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, or any individuals who work for the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey. I have included the original request (sent July 31, 2009) for your convenience.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 609-695-7190, ext. 110 aherbsman@votecorzine09.com



July 31, 2009

FOIA/Privacy Staff Executive Office for United States Attorneys 600 E Street, N.W. (BICN Room 7300) Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530-0001

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Considering the above information, I respectfully request that the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

• Any written communications, emails, phone logs, calendar appointments or any other records of communications since December 1, 2008 between Christopher J. Christie and any of the following: Acting United States Attorney Ralph Marra, the

office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, or any individuals who work for the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey.

Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

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Requester: <u>Adam Herbsman</u> Requ	nest No.: <u>09-2985</u>

AUG 20 2009

Subject: USAO Com'm w/ Former USA Christie

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Sincerely,

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Note: Your request is being expedited.



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Dear Requester:

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Your request for records under the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act has been processed. This letter constitutes a reply from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, the official record-keeper for all records located in this office and the various United States Attorneys' Offices.

To provide you the greatest degree of access authorized by the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act, we have considered your request in light of the provisions of both statutes.

The records you seek are located in a Privacy Act system of records that, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Attorney General, is exempt from the access provisions of the Privacy Act. 28 CFR § 16.81. We have also processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act and are making all records required to be released, or considered appropriate for release as a matter of discretion, available to you. This letter is a [x] partial [full denial.

Enclosed please find:

_____ page(s) are being released in full (RIF);

_____5 ____ page(s) are being released in part (RIP);

<u>11</u> page(s) are withheld in full (WIF). The redacted/withheld documents were reviewed to determine if any information could be segregated for release.

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[] In addition, this office is withholding grand jury material which is retained in the District.

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[] A review of the material revealed:

[] Our office located records that originated with another government component. These records were found in the U.S. Attorney's Office files and may or may not be responsive to your request. These records will be referred to the following component(s) listed for review and direct response to you:_____

[] There are public records which may be obtained from the clerk of the court or this office, upon specific request. If you wish to obtain a copy of these records, you must submit a new request. These records will be provided to you subject to copying fees.

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Sincerely,

William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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October 5, 2009

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Considering the above information, and the fact that the election for Governor of New Jersey will take place 29 days from today on November 3, 2009, I respectfully request the FOIA below be processed on an expedited basis.

Please provide the following records:

• A written explanation of any codes that appear in materials responsive to FOIA Request No. 09-865, which asks for "All travel and expense records, including vouchers, reimbursements, etc., submitted on behalf of U.S. Attorney Christopher

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Christie and his senior staff, from Jan. 2002 through December 2008." This letter should be treated as a completely separate request from FOIA Request No. 09-865 and should not in any way impede or slow down the fulfillment of FOIA Request No. 09-865.

Please mail all correspondence to the following address:

Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 15 West Front Street, First Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Adam Herbsman Deputy Research Director Corzine '09 Inc. 609-695-7190, ext. 110 aherbsman@votecorzine09.com

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Requester: <u>Adam Herbsman</u>	Request No.: 09-3680 0CT - 6 2009		

Subject: USA Christie (Travel Document Codes)/DNJ

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) has received your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request. It has been assigned the above number. <u>Please give us this number if you write about your request</u>. If we need additional information, we will contact you within two weeks.

Your request will be placed in the order in which it was received for processing, unless it is a very large request (Project Request). Then, it will be placed in a separate group of Project Requests, which are also processed in the order received.

EOUSA makes every effort to process most requests within a month (20 working days). There are some exceptions; for example, Project Requests usually take approximately nine months to process. Requests for "all information about myself in criminal case files" are usually Project Requests. If you have made such a request, you may either write us and narrow your request for specific items, or you may expect that the processing of your request may take nine months from the date of this letter.

By making a FOIA/PA request, you have agreed to pay fees up to \$25, as stated in 28 CFR § 16.3(c), unless you have requested a fee waiver. Please note that pursuant to 28 CFR § 16.11, if you have not been granted a fee waiver, we are required to charge fees for time used to search for the documents you have requested and for duplication of all pages released to you. Normally, search time is charged at a rate of \$28 per hour after the first two hours which are free, and duplication fees are \$0.10 per page after the first 100 pages which are free. <u>Please do not</u> <u>send any payment at this time</u>! If we anticipate that fees will exceed \$25 or the amount you have stated in your letter (if greater than \$25), we will normally notify you of our estimate of fees. After we have received your agreement to pay for the expected fees (or you have narrowed your request to reduce fees) and we have processed your request, we will require payment for the accumulated charges before we release documents to you. Without such payment, your request file will be closed without further action.

Sincerely,

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William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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Note: Your request is being expedited.



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Req	uester:	Adam	Herbsman	

Request Number: 09-3680

Subject of Request: Travel Document Codes

Dear Requester:

Your request for records under the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act has been processed. This letter constitutes a reply from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, the official recordkeeper for all records located in this office and the various United States Attorneys' offices. To provide the greatest degree of access authorized by the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act, we have considered your request in light of the provisions of both statutes.

All of the records you seek are being made available to you. We have processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act and are making all records required to be released, or considered appropriate for release as a matter of discretion, available to you. This letter is a full release.

- [X] A review of the material revealed:
- [X] Our office located records that originated with another government component. These records were found in the U.S. Attorney's Office files and may or may not be responsive to your request. These records will be referred to the component(s) listed for review and direct response to you: Justice Management Division
- [] There are public records which may be obtained from the clerk of the court or this office, upon specific request. If you wish to obtain a copy of these records, you must submit a new request. These records will be provided to you subject to copying fees.
- [] Please note that your original letter was split into separate files ("requests"), for processing purposes, based on the nature of what you sought. Each file was given a separate Request Number (listed below), for which you will receive a separate response:______
- [] See additional information attached.

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This is the final action on this above-numbered request. You may appeal this decision on this request by writing to the Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001. Both the letter and envelope should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Your request must be received by OIP within 60 days from the date of this letter. If you are dissatisfied with the results of any such administrative appeal, judicial review may thereafter be available in U.S. District Court, 28 C.F.R. § 16.9.

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Sincerely,

William G. Stewart II Assistant Director

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