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Director Catrina Pavlik-Keenan  
Freedom of Information Act Office  
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Washington, DC 20536-5003

Dear Director Pavlik-Keenan:

I respectfully request documents from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

I request that the following documents be made available to me:

1. Staffing charts for the now-defunct ICE Office of the Public Advocate effective as of March 25, 2013 or the closest date prior to March 26, 2013, for which a chart is available.
2. Staffing charts for the ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Community Outreach Staff, effective as of April 1, 2013, or the soonest date thereafter for which one is available, and also the most current staffing charts available for the same staff.
3. Names and office locations of all employees in the now-defunct ICE Office of the Public Advocate effective as of March 25, 2013 or the closest date prior to March 26 for which a list is available.
4. Names and office locations of all employees in the ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Community Outreach Staff, effective as of April 1, 2013, of the soonest date thereafter for which a list is available, and also the most current names and office locations of the same employees.
5. All documents related to the hotline telephone number 1-888-351-4024, including the pay grade for all hotline employees and their status during the recent government shutdown that began on October 1, 2013.
6. All ICE internal communications regarding Andrew Lorenzen-Strait from March 15, 2013 to May 1, 2013.
7. All internal communications regarding the response to my letter to Acting Director Sandweg, dated September 23, 2013.

In order to assess my status to determine fees, you should know that I am a Member of Congress, and this request is made for informational purposes.

I request a waiver of all fees for this request. Disclosure of the requested information to me is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in my commercial interest.

Specifically, this request will promote transparency to the employment status and professional activities of those employed in the Office of the Public Advocate before and after President Obama signed into law legislation defunding the office on March 26, 2013. Additionally, it will bring transparency to ICE decision-making regarding those employees following passage of the law.

Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Diane Black". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Diane Black  
Member of Congress