



U.S. Customs and
Border Protection

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Mr. David Schnitzer
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Washington, D.C. 20002

RE: Referral of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Request No.
COW2003008815

Dear Mr. Schnitzer:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of October 2, 2003 for all direct correspondence between U.S. Senator John F. Kerry and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS). In their review of records responsive to your request, CIS determined that one responsive record originated with U.S. Customs and Border Protection and referred that record to this office for our direct response to you, by memorandum dated July 1, 2004. The referred record consists of two pages--a one page, undated memorandum with a one page, undated attachment.

After reviewing the documents, we are releasing the two referred pages, in part, with redactions pursuant to the FOIA, title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.), section 552(b)(6). Exemption (b)(6) is used to redact certain personnel information relating to third parties and to employees of CBP. This exemption is applied because the privacy interest(s) of the individual(s) named is/are greater than the need of the public to know the identity of the individual(s) named.

Insofar as there was no search for records involved with the processing of this request, and the release only concerned 2 pages of records, there is no charge associated with this response.

If you consider this response to be a denial of your request, you may file an administrative appeal of this decision with the Assistant Commissioner, Office of Regulations and Rulings, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW (Mint Annex), Washington, D.C. 20229, within 35 days of the date of this determination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joanne Roman Stump".

Joanne R. Stump, Chief
Disclosure Law Branch
Office of Regulations and Rulings

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