

September 24, 2024

SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: info@aflegal.org

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Re: 2024-HQFO-03346

Dear Requester:

This is the electronic final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), dated 7/15/2024, and received by this office on 7/15/2024. You are seeking records related to Ryan Wesley Routh within the components you noted, the Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3) and the Privacy Office (PRIV).

We conducted a comprehensive search of files within the DHS Privacy Office (PRIV) and the Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3) for records that would be responsive to your request. Unfortunately, we were unable to locate or identify any responsive records. Both CP3 and PRIV are tasked with overseeing specific systems and programs within the Department. However, neither group is responsible for monitoring individual members of the public.

While an adequate search was conducted, you have the right to appeal this determination that no records exist within DHS Privacy Office that would be responsive to your request. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 90 days of the date of this letter, to: Privacy Office, Attn: FOIA Appeals, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 2707 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE, Mail Stop 0655, Washington, D.C. 20528-0655, following the procedures outlined in the DHS FOIA regulations at 6 C.F.R. Part 5 § 5.5(e)(2). Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS FOIA regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/foia.

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact the analyst below who processed your request and refer to 2024-HQFO-03346. You may send an e-mail to foia@hq.dhs.gov, call 202-343-1743 or toll free 1-866-431-0486, or you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison in the same manner. Additionally, you have a right to right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive

alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact OGIS as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Provisions of FOIA allow DHS to charge for processing fees, up to \$25, unless you seek a waiver of fees. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge.

## Regards,

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