

TO: The Chief Privacy Officer

FROM: The Assistant Secretary for Management serving as Chief Freedom of Information Officer

SUBJECT: Redelegation of Authority for Freedom of Information Act

I. DELEGATION

Under the authority vested in me by delegation EA/EM/311, certified on May 9, 2006, and in accordance with delegation EA/EM/306 certified on January 18, 2006, I hereby delegate to you, your successor in function, and anyone serving for you in an acting capacity:

- A. The authority to administer the Department's responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §552, subject to the reservations contained herein. This delegation includes the authority to deny access to documents to the extent that such denial is consistent with FOIA procedures and FOIA Departmental regulations. This also includes the authority to charge fees, to waive fees and to reduce fees to requesters consistent and in accordance with the FOIA and Departmental regulations and policies on such fees for documents requested;
- B. The authority to issue decisions on administrative appeals filed in accordance with FOIA and the Departmental regulations implementing that statute; and
- C. The authority under FOIA to issue decisions regarding appeals of denials of requests for records and requests for expedited treatment and requests for waiver of fees.

Unless otherwise noted in future delegations of authority, amendments to the authority delegated herein are included in the scope of this delegation.

II. RESERVATIONS

Unless otherwise noted in existing or future delegations of authority, the following are not delegated:

- A. The authority to administer FOIA for documents maintained in the Office of Inspector General, which is delegated to the Inspector General by delegation EA/EF/193, certified May 10, 2011; and

- B. The authority to perform the responsibilities delegated to the Agency's Chief Freedom of Information Officer in delegation EA/EM/306, certified on January 18, 2006.

III. REDELEGATIONS

No further redelegation is authorized of:

- A. The authority to issue decisions on administrative appeals filed in accordance with FOIA and the Department regulations implementing that statute;
- B. The authority under FOIA to issue decisions regarding appeals of denials of requests for records and requests for waiver of fees.

Except as noted above and subject to the reservations contained herein, you may redelegate the other authorities delegated to you herein and authorize further redelegations.

IV. CERTIFICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

This delegation is effective upon certification by the Department's Principal Delegations Control Officer, and it supersedes delegation EM/EMV/315, certified on June 7, 2006, and EMV/EMVF/346, certified on June 18, 2008.

I ratify actions within the scope of this delegation taken prior to the date of certification.

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Andrew Jackson  
Assistant Secretary for Management

OGC Clearance: 4/9/2015  
Departmental Delegations Control Officer: Jim Clemmens  
Control Number: EM/EMV/404  
Date Certified: 4/29/15