



May 7, 2015

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Dear Mr. Hasbrouck:

This is in response to your U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (GSA-2015-000410), dated February 17, 2015, in which you requested:

“Copies of all meeting minutes and other records pertaining to any “Facility Security Committee (FSC)” for each of the following Federal facilities:

1. Phillip Burton Federal Bldg. & Courthouse, 450 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, CA
2. San Francisco Federal Building, 90 7th St., San Francisco, CA
3. U.S. Customs House, 555 Battery St., San Francisco, CA
4. Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building, 1301 Clay St., Oakland, CA
5. Robert F. Peckham Federal Building, 280 South 1st St., San Jose, CA
6. United States Courthouse, 3140 Boeing Ave., McKinleyville, CA
7. James R. Browning Courthouse, 95 7th St., San Francisco, CA
8. Richard H. Chambers Courthouse, 125 South Grand Ave., Pasadena, CA
9. Pioneer Courthouse, 700 SW 6th Ave., Portland, OR
10. William K. Nakamura Courthouse, 1010 5th Ave., Seattle, WA”

The Federal Security Committee (FSC) consists of representatives of all Federal tenants in the facility, the security organization or lead agency, and the owning or leasing department or agency. The United States Department of Justice Office of Information Policy (OIP) advises that the agency that is best able to determine a record's sensitivity, and in turn its exemption status, is the agency that should process that record under FOIA. OIP notes that the agency that originated a record is usually the most appropriate agency to make a FOIA-disclosure determination regarding it.

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In this instance, the lead agency for the FSC of each building is better able than GSA to determine whether the requested information is exempt from disclosure and the ultimate decision as to what data should be released rests with the lead agency of the FSC of each building. GSA is not the custodian of records with respect to the Pioneer and William K. Nakamura Courthouse. The U.S. Courts is the lead agency and responsible for maintaining minutes in conjunction with the ISC standard. For records from the Judicial Branch and Federal Courts, please visit: [www.uscourts.gov](http://www.uscourts.gov).

This completes our action on this request. Should you have any press-related questions, please contact Ms. Anne Weigle, Executive Officer, Northwest/Artic Region at [anne.weigle@gsa.gov](mailto:anne.weigle@gsa.gov) or 253-931-7233.

Sincerely,

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