

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(r), the Department has provided a report to OMB and the Congress.

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JUSTICE/ATF-001

SYSTEM NAME:

Administrative Record System—Justice/ATF-001.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226. Components of this record system are geographically dispersed throughout the Bureau's field offices. A list of field offices is available by writing to the Chief, Disclosure Division, Room 8400, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

(1) Present employees of the Bureau of ATF. (2) Former employees of the Bureau of ATF. (3) Claimants against the Bureau of ATF.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Documents related to claims submitted including: (1) Accident Report—vehicle; (2) Fatality reports; (3) Injury reports; (4) Chief Counsel and District Counsel memoranda and opinions.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

(1) Federal Claims Collection Act. (2) Federal Property and Administration Services Act of 1949, as amended. (3) Federal Tort Claims Act. (4) Military Personnel and Civilian Claims Act. (5) Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. (6) Small Claims Act. (7) 5 U.S.C. 1302, 3301, 3302.

PURPOSE(S):

The purpose of this system is to resolve claims submitted to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

A record in this system may be disclosed as a routine use:

A. To a Member of Congress or staff acting upon the Member's behalf when the Member or staff requests the information on behalf of, and at the request of, the individual who is the subject of the record.

B. To contractors, grantees, experts, consultants, students, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or other assignment for the federal government, when necessary to accomplish an agency function related to this system of records.

C. In the event that a record in this system, either alone or in conjunction with other information, indicates a violation or potential violation of law—criminal, civil, or regulatory in nature—the relevant records may be referred to the appropriate federal, state, local, foreign, or tribal law enforcement authority or other appropriate agency charged with the responsibility for investigating or prosecuting such violation or charged with enforcing or implementing such law.

D. To officials and employees of a federal agency or entity, including the White House, which requires information relevant to a decision concerning the hiring, appointment, or retention of an employee; the issuance of a security clearance; the execution of a security or suitability investigation; the classification of a job; or the issuance of a grant or benefit.

E. In an appropriate proceeding before a court or administrative or regulatory body when records are determined by the Department of Justice to be arguably relevant to the proceeding.

F. To an actual or potential party to litigation or the party's authorized representative for the purpose of negotiation or discussion on such matters as settlement, plea bargaining, or in informal discovery proceedings.

G. To the news media and the public pursuant to 28 CFR 50.2 unless it is determined that release of the specific information in the context of a particular case would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

H. To federal, state, and local licensing agencies or associations, which require information concerning the suitability or eligibility of an individual for a license or permit.

I. To the General Services Administration and National Archives and Records Administration in records management inspections conducted

under the authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906.

J. To a former employee of the Department for purposes of: responding to an official inquiry by a federal, state, or local government entity or professional licensing authority, in accordance with applicable Department regulations; or facilitating communications with a former employee that may be necessary for personnel-related or other official purposes where the Department requires information and/or consultation assistance from the former employee regarding a matter within that person's former area of responsibility.

K. To such recipients and under such circumstances and procedures as are mandated by federal statute or treaty.

L. To an organization or individual in either the public or private sector where there is reason to believe the recipient is or could become the target of a particular criminal activity or conspiracy, to the extent the information is relevant to the protection of life or property.

M. To individuals and organizations to the extent necessary to obtain relevant information needed by the Bureau to render a decision in regard to an administrative matter.

N. To Treasury Department, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau employees, when necessary to accomplish a Treasury Department or Department of Justice function related to this system of records.

O. To unions recognized as exclusive bargaining representatives in accordance with provisions contained in the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, 5 U.S.C. 7111 and 7114.

P. To complainants and/or victims to the extent necessary to provide such persons with information and explanations concerning the progress and/or results of the investigation or case arising from the matters of which they complained and/or of which they were a victim.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Active records are stored in file folders in security filing cabinets. Inactive records are stored in file folders at Federal Records Centers. Records are also stored in electronic media.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Records are retrieved by name of individual.

SAFEGUARDS:

Direct access is restricted to personnel in the Department of Justice in the