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**Via electronic mail**

US Department of Housing and Urban Development  
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Washington, DC 20410  
[FOIA@hud.gov](mailto:FOIA@hud.gov)

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §§ 552 *et seq.*, we are requesting copies of all records, including but not limited to emails, letters, and calendar entries, reflecting or relating to communications with or documents provided by:

1. Members of Congress or their staff, which relate to or were relied upon in preparing Memo from Demetria L. McCain, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Subject: Implementation of the Office of General Counsel's Guidance on Application of Fair Housing Act Standards to the Use of Criminal Records by Providers of Housing and Real Estate-Related Transactions (June 10, 2022) (hereinafter, the "HUD Memo").<sup>1</sup>
2. Other federal agencies, which relate to or were relied upon in preparing the HUD Memo.
3. Non-governmental entities, including but not limited to consumer advocacy groups, which relate to or were relied upon in preparing the HUD Memo.

As you know, FOIA requires agencies to release information unless it is specifically exempt from disclosure, and also requires agencies to release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of records, i.e., to redact exempt portions of records and release the rest. We request that you provide us with complete and accurate copies of all nonexempt material requested.

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<sup>1</sup> Available at

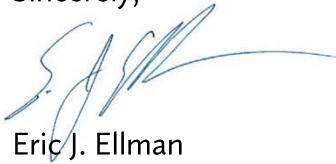
<https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/FHEO/documents/Implementation%20of%20OGC%20Guidance%20on%20Application%20of%20FHA%20Standards%20to%20the%20Use%20of%20Criminal%20Records%20-%20June%2010%202022.pdf>.

This is a commercial request. We agree to pay reasonable search and reproduction costs. However, if these costs exceed \$250, we request that you notify us before reproducing the documents.

We understand that we can expect a response within 20 days of your receipt of this letter. We prefer electronic copies of the documents, but if courier or overnight delivery is necessary, please contact us for delivery or pickup information.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 408-7407 or email me at [eellman@cdiaonline.org](mailto:eellman@cdiaonline.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Ellman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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