

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FINANCIAL CRIMES ENFORCEMENT NETWORK

January 11, 2013



Re: FinCEN 2013-90

Dear Mr.

This letter responds to your November 9, 2012, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) for any and all records that mention, reflect, refer or pertain to any and all records obtained from the Treasury Department relating to the original Bank Secrecy Act of 1970. On January 10, 2013, the CFPB referred your request to us at the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) along with 99 pages of records that originated at our bureau for our review and direct response to you.

Of the 99 pages, 48 are withheld in full in accordance with FOIA exemption 3, which is explained below. The remaining 51 pages are released to you in part; some information has been deleted from these pages in accordance with the FOIA exemption provisions. In each case, the exemption applicable to the deleted information has been noted on the document next to the deletion. Information has been deleted or withheld in full in accordance with the following FOIA exemption provisions:

5 U.S.C. 552(b)(3), relating to records specifically exempted from disclosure by statute. The statutory provision that specifically exempts records collected under the Bank Secrecy Act from disclosure under the FOIA can be found in Section 5319 of Title 31 of the United States Code;

5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6), relating to personnel, medical, financial, and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;

5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C), relating to law enforcement records, the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy; and

5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(E), relating to law enforcement records, the release of which would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions.

If you believe our decisions are in error, you may appeal them by writing to: FinCEN FOIA Appeal, P.O. Box 39, Vienna, VA 22183. The appeal must be received within 35 days from the date of this letter and must specify the date of your initial request as well as the date of

this letter. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "FOIA Appeal" and must include a statement explaining why you believe our decisions are in error.

Sincerely yours,

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Disclosure Officer

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