

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

JACQUELINE STEVENS,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	No. 21 C 2232
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U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS)	Judge Tharp
ENFORCEMENT, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

**DEFENDANTS’ RESPONSE TO
PLAINTIFF’S STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL FACTS**

Defendants, by John R. Lausch, Jr., United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, respond to plaintiff’s statement of additional facts (Dkt. 37 at 24-26) as follows:

1. Ms. Schurkamp Declaration [*sic*] does not indicate any protocol the ICE FOIA office has in place to adhere to statutory deadlines for producing records responsive to requests in the timeframes stated in the Act. Numerous responses were produced here well beyond the 30-day deadline for complex requests, including one, for Mr. Manual Valdez Soto on January 7, 2022 (Schurkamp Decl. ¶34, DSOMF, p. 45), well over *four* years after Plaintiff submitted the request on March 15, 2017. Stevens Decl.¶9.

Response: Admit that the Schurkamp Declaration does not mention ICE’s massive FOIA caseload or the huge amounts of responsive records that ICE produces every single month in response to FOIA requests, since the timing of ICE’s productions to Stevens is not relevant to the agencies’ summary judgment motion. Admit that some of ICE’s productions to Stevens occurred more than 30 days after ICE received the FOIA requests at issue, but dispute that this violated FOIA.

2. The Vaughn Index associated with the ICE Declaration uses document identification number of 2021-ICLI-00042 for five records. This number does not appear in Ms. Schurkamp’s Declaration and Plaintiff cannot match the redactions with the documents she received. DSOMF, pp. 70-79. Stevens Decl.¶10.

Response: Admit that Stevens has declared that she cannot match the redactions in ICE's Vaughn index with the documents she received from ICE, but dispute that she cannot actually match them: the identification number of 2021-ICLI-00042 appears on ICE's January 21, 2022 production letter, which enclosed 44 pages of records. Def. Ex. H. ICE's *Vaughn* index plainly refers to redactions made throughout those 44 pages. Def. Ex. A (Schurkamp Declaration), Attachment N. For example, the first entry explains that ICE redacted the names of DHS and ICE personnel. *Id.* at entry 1. No page number is provided because the redactions occur throughout the production. *Id.* The second entry explains that ICE redacted discount terms and other contract information. *Id.* at entry 2. Page numbers 1-6 and 10-12 are provided to guide Stevens to the relevant pages. *Id.* And so on.

3. Ms. Schurkamp notes "ICE employees have access to email" (DSOMF, ¶12, p. 30). But searches for records on Nathan Anfinson (2019-ICFO-23635) and Manuel Valdez-Soto did not reference searches of Outlook. Stevens Decl¶12.

Response: Admit that Schurkamp notes in her declaration that ICE employees have access to email, though the statement appears in paragraph 13 of Schurkamp's declaration (Def. Ex. A), not in DSOF ¶ 12 as Stevens says. Admit that ICE did not search Outlook for references to Nathan Anfinson and Manuel Valdez-Soto.

4. The Nathan Anfinson FOIA request specifically asked ICE to search the case management system PLANet (SOMF, ICE Attachment A, DSOMF, p. 46). PLANet is an ICE case management system that is reasonably likely to have records responsive to my request. An ICE Memorandum states that it is the database that ICE attorney should use for uploading case information of individuals with claims of U.S. Citizenship. "ICE attorneys will save the memorandum in the PLANet case management system and document the resulting HQ decision and other information about the claim by completing the "USC Claims" section in PLANet." U.S. Citizenship Claims Memorandum, 2017 ("USC Memo"), Ex. 2, p. 7; Stevens Decl¶18.

Response: Dispute. The FOIA request asked for *screen shots* of the databases ICE consulted; it did not specifically ask ICE to search PLANet. Def. Ex. A (Schurkamp Decl.), Attachment A (Dkt. 31 at 46 of 238). And in response to the Nathan Anfinson request, the

Information Disclosure Unit of ICE's Enforcement Removal Operations office conducted a routine records search for responsive records using its standard operating procedures. Def. Ex. A (Schurkamp Decl.) ¶ 20(c). The unit searched the Immigration and Enforcement Operational Records System's Alien Removal Module (the system used to book, detain, and remove noncitizens), as well as the Central Index System, which is a database containing information on the status of *57 million applicants or petitioners*. *Id.* ¶ 20(c), (d). Stevens has not submitted evidence that the memoranda she describes in paragraph 4 would not be found by searching those systems.

5. Another database Schurkamp omits from the list of locations searched for records on individuals and that is reasonably likely to have responsive records is the General Counsel Electronic Management System (GEMS) "GEMS." The USC Memo highlights GEMS as a location where "[r]ecords generated pursuant to this directive" are likely to be located. *Id.*; Stevens Decl¶19.

Response: Admit that the Schurkamp Declaration does not mention GEMS, though dispute that this is an "omission." On its face those records would be privileged.

6. A third database Schurkamp omits from the list of locations searched for records on Anfinson that is reasonably likely to have responsive records is the National File Tracking System ("NFTS"). NFTS is another records location referenced in the USC Memo. NFTS "provides a tracking system of where the A-Files are physically located, including whether the file has been digitized ... NFTS records associated with an A-File will be retained on a permanent basis even after the A-File has been retired to NARA to retain accurate recordkeeping." Especially for cases that are older, NFTS is likely to indicate where records are located and if they have been digitized. Stevens Decl¶20.

Response: Admit that the Schurkamp Declaration does not mention the National File Tracking System. The National File Tracking System is a USCIS system, not an ICE system. *See* https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/publications/privacy_pia_uscis_nfts.pdf.

7. The Schurkamp Decl. provides no tracking number for the Manuel Valdez Soto request submitted by Plaintiff in 2017. No tracking number was assigned. Stevens Decl25.

Response: Admit that the Schurkamp Declaration does not list a tracking number for the Manuel Valdez Soto request, but dispute that no tracking number was assigned, as the cited portion of Stevens’s declaration does not say that no tracking number was assigned, and Stevens has not offered any evidence that a tracking number was not assigned.

8. Only after Plaintiff filed this lawsuit did the agency “respond[] to a request [Plaintiff] had withdrawn and disregarded the request that immediately ensued. Stevens Decl¶27. The FOIA request ICE claims is the true and accurate copy of Plaintiff request for records for records of Manuel Valdez Soto was submitted at 2:46 p.m. CT on March 15, 2017 and withdrawn three minutes later. Stevens Decl¶28. At 2:49 p.m. CT Plaintiff forwarded the errant request and above it wrote, “please withdraw this request; it is sent inadvertently to your agency. a correct request for records from this subject will follow. I apologize for the confusion.” Email from Stevens to ice-foia@dhs.gov, Subject heading: “Fw. Request for ROP and Audio Recording for Manuel Valdez Soto #[redacted].” March 15, 2017. Four minutes later, she sent a new request. The new request had as its subject-heading “Enforcement and Removal Operations and All Systems Records for Manuel Valdez Soto #[redacted].” Stevens Decl¶28.

Response: Admit that Stevens has declared that she emailed ICE asking to withdraw the Manuel Valdez Soto request and that Plaintiff’s Exhibit 3 appears to be that email. Dispute that Stevens re-submitted a new request for records relating to Manuel Valdez Soto 4, because the email she cites is just the email in which she attempted to withdraw the first request, not a separate request.

9. The contents of the request submitted at 2:53 p.m. and not withdrawn is quoted from in the Complaint: “All correspondence including but not limited to email and attachments, faxes, notes, and all other records associated with *communications with Citizenship and Immigration Services* *by the office of DHS trial attorneys* or other employees of the ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations about any N600 applications or any other correspondence with ICE HQ about Mr. Valdez’s claim to US citizenship.” Complaint at ¶69, quoting from email from Stevens to ice-fois@dhs.gov, March 15, 2017 Ex. 1. Stevens Decl¶29.

Response: Dispute, because complaints contain allegations, not evidence.

10. On April 14, 2017 ICE sent an email in reply to the email including the request Plaintiff had withdrawn. It did not include a tracking number nor state it was a final response. It stated it would be forwarding the withdrawn request to USCIS. Email from ICE to Stevens, April 14, 2017. Ex. 4. Stevens Decl¶30. Plaintiff assumed that ICE would be sending her a tracking number for the correct request that was not withdrawn: ICE never sent her a tracking number for the proper request associated with the records of Mr. Valdez. Stevens Decl¶31.

Response: Admit that ICE emailed Stevens on April 14, 2017 in response to Manual Valdez Soto request that Stevens is saying she withdrew after sending. Admit that ICE's email did not include a tracking number or state that it was a final response. Admit that Stevens has declared that she assumed that ICE would be sending her a tracking number for what she says was the correct request and that ICE did not send her a tracking number.

11. Plaintiff's original request to EOIR dated July 3, 2020 included a section captioned "BACKGROUND" and referenced a memorandum and report produced pursuant to EOIR and federal courts efforts, respectively, to compile and analyze case data including a specific break-out of data on U.S. citizens in removal proceedings. Stevens Decl¶69.

Response: Admit that Stevens has declared as much.

12. Plaintiff's request for data associated with FOIA case 2020-60006 stated, "The public understanding of immigration removal adjudication proceedings, as well as how the government responds in cases where a U.S. citizen may have been mistakenly flagged for immigration removal, will be greatly enhanced by knowledge of these adjournments and their associated cases." Stevens Decl¶70.

Response: Admit that Stevens has declared as much.

13. EOIR did not task its components, including but not limited to the Office of General Counsel, Office of the Chief Immigration Judge, Office of Policy or any other office reasonably likely to have memoranda or e-mail responsive to data on claims of U.S. citizenship in immigration courts, as requested by Plaintiff and provides no details as to why these components would not have responsive records. Stevens Decl¶72. Rather EOIR searched only the PASD as the component "most likely" to have responsive records. Stevens Decl¶73.

Response: Admit that EOIR did not task these offices to search for records, and note that EOIR's policy memoranda are *publicly* available on the internet: <https://www.justice.gov/eoir/statistics-and-reports> and <https://www.justice.gov/eoir/eoir-policy-manual>. The agency's precedential decisions are likewise publicly available at <https://www.justice.gov/eoir/ag-bia-decisions#menu1>. And the notion that emails would contain this type of data is speculative. Also, EOIR is in the best position to know where to search for its own records. Agencies must conduct good-faith, reasonable searches of the systems of records

likely to contain responsive records, and agencies have discretion under FOIA to craft searches that will do so. Agencies need not search every system if additional searches are unlikely to produce any marginal return.

14. In her Declaration, Ms. O'Hara provides a 10-page narrative about the data and codes produced that did not accompany the original production. However, Plaintiff and Plaintiff's research assistant Grant Li do not have information sufficient to understand two codes: "ZERO BOND" as it appears in table 80000" and "DD APPEAL" as it appears in table 80400 under column C 'strDescription'." Stevens Decl. ¶82.

Response: Zero Bond is a custody redetermination case (bond hearing) where there is no affiliated removal proceeding initiated at the time the bond redetermination request is filed with EOIR. There is no existing removal case for the individual. *See* EOIR Policy Manual, Uniform Docketing Manual at Part III, Section I at page 30, available at <https://www.justice.gov/eoir/eoir-policy-manual/USDM122020/download>. DD Appeal relates the DHS visa appeal or fine appeal process before the Board of Immigration Appeals. *See* EOIR Policy Manual at Part III, BIA Practice Manual at Chapters 9 (Visa) and 10 (Fines), available at <https://www.justice.gov/eoir/eoir-policy-manual/iii>; *see generally* EOIR Internet site at <https://www.justice.gov/eoir/statistics-and-reports>.

15. Plaintiff has received no "release" or "production" of records responsive to the FOIA request of USCIS for records on Juan Hurtado-Valencia she submitted on August 24, 2019. Stevens Decl. ¶¶49-55.

Response: Dispute. USCIS released 222 pages in full and 64 pages in part in response to this request, on June 24, 2021. Def. Ex. C (Munita Decl.) ¶¶ 21-24. And Stevens does not even dispute that USCIS sent her the production. Pl. Resp. to DSOF ¶ 53. Rather, she complains that she was not able to *access* the production because it was password-protected. *Id.* But USCIS provided the password to her counsel by email the very next day on June 25, 2021. Def. Ex. I (June 25, 2021 Hartzler email) ("The production is password-protected, and the password is . . .").

16. Plaintiff has received no production from the State Department pertaining to the FOIA request underlying this litigation. Stevens Decl. ¶¶87-89.

Response: Dispute. The State Department emailed its production to both Stevens and her counsel on September 7, 2021. Def. Ex. J (Sept. 7, 2021 State email).

17. Plaintiff has received no “determination” or a “release” of documents in response to the FOIA request of USCIS for records on Lorenzo Palma she submitted on 11 August 2020. Stevens Decl. ¶¶57-67.

Response: Admit that Stevens has declared that she never “received” the production, but dispute that USCIS did not provide it. USCIS emailed Stevens on April 14, 2021, notifying her that the Lorenzo Palma records were available to download. Def. Ex. C (Munita Decl.) ¶ 28.

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit H

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**U.S. Immigration
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Enforcement**

January 7, 2022

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**RE: Jacqueline Stevens v. ICE et al., 1:21-cv-02232
ICE FOIA Case Number 2021-ICLI-00042
Final Response**

Dear Ms. Stevens:

This letter is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), dated March 15, 2017, and March 22, 2021. You have requested:

- 1.) All system records pertaining to Manuel Valdez Soto. His alien number is 036-661-024. He was born in Mexico on October 12, 1967.

This request includes but is not limited to all memoranda, notes, reports, email messages and all other system records or communications associated with or pertaining to Mr. Valdez generated or received by EOIR.

This also includes the record of proceedings for his immigration hearing(s), as well as any digital or audio recordings of his hearing(s).

And I am requesting all docketing information for Mr. Valez's hearings maintained in the EOIR case locator system.

- 2.) (a) All information received from contractors informing FOIA operation Requests for Information, Requests for Proposals, and all current work performed. If a contractor is trying to justify a renewal, extension, or addition to an existing contract, all of these communications in any form are responsive to this request. This includes device text messages, information stored in the cloud, email, notes, and communications responsive to current or past contracts, such as documentation of expenditures on subcontracts, infrastructure, or software outlays.

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(b) Information on FOIA operations and expenditures on which the report relies for its representations in ICE budgets about its use of financial resources, including but not limited to salaries, contracts, and database investments. All related communications tied to these budget requests based on FOIA operations are responsive to this request.

(c) Screenshots of all databases on which ICE relies for its fiscal year budget requests for funding FOIA operations.

The time frame of this request is January 1, 2016, through the present.

ICE has considered your request under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552. A search of the ICE Offices of Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Office of Acquisitions (OAQ) and, the ICE FOIA Office located records that were responsive to your request. For this production ICE reviewed 65 pages and 2 Excel spreadsheets of potentially responsive records. Of those 65 pages, ICE determined that 21 pages were deemed non-responsive and/or duplicate and, 29 pages will be released in full. The remaining 15 pages and the 2 Excel spreadsheets will be withheld in part pursuant to FOIA Exemptions (b)(4), (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) and (b)(7)(e) as described below.

FOIA Exemption 4 protects trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential. The courts have held that this subsection protects (a) confidential commercial information, the disclosure of which is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the person who submitted the information and (b) information that was voluntarily submitted to the government if it is the kind of information that the provider would not customarily make available to the public. I have reviewed the responsive documents, the submitter's objections to release, and relevant case law, and I have determined that portions of the responsive records are exempt from disclosure under subsection (b)(4) of the FOIA and must be withheld in order to protect the submitter's proprietary interests.

FOIA Exemption (b)(6) exempts from disclosure personnel or medical files and similar files the release of which would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This requires a balancing of the public's right to disclosure against the individual's right to privacy. The privacy interests of the individuals in the records you have requested outweigh any minimal public interest in disclosure of the information. Any private interest you may have in that information does not factor into the aforementioned balancing test.

FOIA Exemption (b)(7)(C) protects records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes that could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This exemption takes particular note of the strong interests of individuals, whether they are suspects, witnesses, or investigators, in not being unwarrantably associated with alleged criminal activity. That interest extends to persons who are not only the subjects of the investigation, but those who may have their privacy invaded by having their identities and information about them revealed in connection with an investigation. Based upon the traditional recognition of strong privacy interest in law enforcement records, categorical withholding of information that identifies third parties in law enforcement records is ordinarily appropriate. As such, I have determined that the privacy interest in the identities of individuals in the records you have requested clearly outweigh any minimal public interest in disclosure of the information.

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Please note that any private interest you may have in that information does not factor into this determination.

ICE has applied FOIA Exemption 7(E) to protect from disclosure internal agency law enforcement case numbers contained within the document, internal codes used to identify folders in an internal ICE task management system, law enforcement database category codes, and law enforcement techniques.

FOIA Exemption 7(E) protects records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which would disclose techniques and/or procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law. The disclosure of certain law enforcement sensitive information contained within the responsive records could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law. Additionally, the techniques and procedures at issue are not well known to the public.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, Alex Hartzler at (312) 866-1390 or alex.hartzler@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

Korrina L. Stewart
Litigation Team Supervisor

Enclosure(s): 44 pages/2 Excel Spreadsheets


cc:
Alex Hartzler
U.S. Attorney's Office

Exhibit I

From: [Hartzler, Alex \(USAILN\)](#)
To: [Nicolette Glazer](#)
Subject: Stevens v. ICE, et al, 21 C 2232 (N.D. Ill.) - USCIS June 25, 2021 production
Date: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:48:00 AM
Attachments: [USCIS 2021-06-24 production letter \(re Hurtado Valencia\).pdf](#)

Nicolette,

In *Stevens v. ICE, et al*, 21 C 2232 (N.D. Ill.), attached is a cover letter regarding USCIS's production in response to plaintiff's request for records relating to Juan Hurtado-Valencia.

I am going to send the production in a separate email. The production is password-protected, and the password is: 

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U.S. Citizenship
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Services

June 24, 2021

Jacqueline Stevens
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PPO2021000202

Dear Jacqueline Stevens:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request received in this office on May 11, 2021 regarding Juan Hurtado Valencia.

We have completed the review of all documents and have identified 331 pages that are responsive to your request. Enclosed are 222 pages released in their entirety and 64 pages released in part. We are withholding 8 pages in full. In our review of these pages, we have determined they contain no reasonably segregable portion(s) of non-exempt information. Additionally, we have referred 31 pages in their entirety to Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 4 pages in their entirety to United States Secret Service and some pages in their entirety to another government agency. We have reviewed and have determined to release all information except those portions that are exempt pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b) (3), (b)(6), (b)(7)(c), and (b)(7)(e) of the FOIA.

The following exemptions are applicable:

Exemption (b)(7)(E) of the FOIA provides protection for records or information for law enforcement purposes which would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law. The types of documents and/or information we have withheld could consist of law enforcement systems checks, manuals, checkpoint locations, surveillance techniques, and various other documents.

Exemption (b)(7)(C) provides protection for personal information in law enforcement records, which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. We have withheld information relating to third-party individuals. The types of documents and/or information that we have withheld could consist of names, addresses, identification numbers, telephone numbers, fax numbers, or various other documents that are considered personal.

Exemption (b)(3) permits withholding of records or information if a law specifically exempts the material from disclosure, including the disclosure of which would be detrimental to security of transportation. The statute allows us to withhold this information pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 114(r) of the Aviation and Transportation Security Act.

Exemption (b)(6) permits the government to withhold all information about individuals in personnel, medical and similar files where the disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The types of documents and/or information that we have withheld may consist of birth certificates, naturalization certificates, drivers' licenses, social security numbers, home addresses, dates of birth, or various other documents and/or information belonging to a third party that are considered personal.

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As a result of discussion between agency personnel and a member of our staff, as a matter of administrative discretion, we are releasing computer codes found on system screen prints previously withheld under exemption b(2). There may be additional documents that contain discretionary releases of exempt information. If made, these releases are specifically identified in the responsive record. These discretionary releases do not waive our ability to invoke applicable FOIA exemptions for similar or related information in the future.

The enclosed record consists of the best reproducible copies available. Certain pages contain marks that appear to be blacked-out information. The black marks were made prior to our receipt of the file and are not information we have withheld under the provisions of the FOIA or PA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terri White".

Terri White
Acting Director, FOIA Operations

Enclosure(s)

Exhibit J

From: [FOIA Litigation](#)
To: Jacqueline-stevens@northwestern.edu
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Subject: FL-2021-00443 September 2021 Production
Date: Tuesday, September 7, 2021 4:45:56 PM
Attachments: [FL-2021-00443 September 2021 Production.pdf](#)

Dear Ms. Stevens,

Attached, please find the September 2021 production for FOIA case number FL-2021-00443, civil action number 21-cv-02232. **This mailbox is not monitored for replies**; if you have any questions, please contact Assistant United States Attorney Alex Hartzler at Alex.Hartzler@usdoj.gov or (312) 886-1390. Thank you.

Best regards,

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Washington, D.C. 20520

September 7, 2021

Case No. F-2021-04009; FL-2021-00443

Jacqueline Stevens
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Dear Ms. Stevens:

This letter is in response to your request dated March 18, 2021, under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department of State has located 12 responsive records subject to the FOIA. Upon review, we have determined that six records may be released in full and six records may be released in part.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made redactions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each record. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released and is enclosed.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist. To the extent another agency asserts that it can neither confirm nor deny the existence of certain records, the Department of State will similarly take the position that it neither confirms nor denies the existence of those records.

This concludes the processing of your case. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Assistant United States Attorney, Alex Hartzler at Alex.Hartzler@usdoj.gov or (312) 886-1390. Please refer to the case number, F-2021-04009; FL-2021-00443, and the civil action number, 21-cv-02232, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeanne Miller". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jeanne Miller
Chief, Programs and Policies Division
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

- (b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:
- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
 - 1.4(b) Foreign government information
 - 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
 - 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
 - 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
 - 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction
- (b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency
- (b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:
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| ARMSEXP | Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c) |
| CIA PERS/ORG | Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g) |
| EXPORT CONTROL | Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c) |
| FS ACT | Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004 |
| INA | Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f) |
| IRAN | Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505 |
- (b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information
- (b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product
- (b)(6) Personal privacy information
- (b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:
- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
 - (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
 - (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
 - (D) disclose confidential sources
 - (E) disclose investigation techniques
 - (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual
- (b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions
- (b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

- NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

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REASON FOR LOOKOUT (State briefly, indicate person or agency to be notified, including telephone number and address)

EVIDENCE OF FILIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SUBJECT AND ALLEGED U. S. CITIZEN FATHER HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED.

IMPORTANT: This Lookout Form is not to be construed as a denial or limitation of passport facilities.

CROSS REFERENCES (Prepare set for each name. Fill in Source Document line on all sets if source document is to be filed under subjective code. If source document is to be filed under a name, fill in Source Document line with file name on all cross references.)

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PREPARED AND FORWARDED TO PT/TC BY:		OFFICER AUTHORIZING REMOVAL	
Date	Name	Name	Organization
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Date	Name		
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LOOKOUT

FORM 3-69 DS-1589

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LOOKOUT

FOR: PASSPORT APPLICANT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IDENTIFYING WITNESS <input type="checkbox"/> DOCUMENTATION <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>		DEPARTMENT OF STATE (b) (7)(E)		INDEX DOM 58 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D SEPT. 1977 <input type="checkbox"/> F
APPLICANT'S NAME BOWMAN, Alma Bella		DOB [REDACTED]/66	POB Philippines	
APPLICANT'S TRUE NAME AND OTHER ALIASES above		DOB ?	POB Above	
NATIONALITY Philippines	DATE EXECUTED 6/3/77	PLACE EXECUTED Manila	PASSPORT AGENCY	
PASSPORT NUMBER Not issued	DATE ISSUED -----	PLACE ISSUED -----		
(b) (7)(E)		ADDITIONAL PERSONS INVOLVED Child's father		
(b) (7)(E)				

EVIDENCE SUBMITTED: Type and Issuing Authority	ALTERED	NOT VERIFIED	BONA FIDE	COUNTERFEIT
Citizenship Father's passport, marriage certificate			X	
Identity				

NARRATIVE: WC

Parents were married two years after child was born, thus legitimating her under Philippine law if she were the child of the father. However, the birth was filed in 1977. Father admits the child may not be his and has dropped the request for passport.



(b) (7)(E)

LOOKOUT DATE
8/31/77

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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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The Department of State (PPT/FE)

AUG 31 1977

CPAS: (BOWMAN, Alma Bella)

Embassy MANILA

REF: Registration application; Embassy's OM August 6, 1977

The Department concurs in the Embassy's opinion that the evidence submitted does not confirm the filial relationship between the subject and the alleged United States citizen father. Therefore, the application is disapproved.

This case has been referred to PT/S for appropriate action.

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APPLICATION FOR <input type="checkbox"/> PASSPORT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGISTRATION		POST LOCATION: Amembassy MANTILA			
Complete ALL entries in all sections that apply to you. If information is unknown, write "Unknown" Do not leave blank spaces. Use additional sheets where space provided is not adequate.		POST ACTION PASSPORT ISSUED: No. _____ Date _____ REGISTRATION APPROVED: No. _____ Date _____			
TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS					
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name) ALMA BELLA BOWMAN ALMA BELLA BOWMAN		CARD OF IDENTITY AND REG. <input type="checkbox"/> \$3 Application fee collected No. _____ <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Fee collected Date _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No Fee passport <input type="checkbox"/> \$3 fee collected (for card) <input type="checkbox"/> Official passport <input type="checkbox"/> 48-page passport			
of the United States, do hereby apply for (a passport) (registration)		MY LAST PASSPORT WAS OBTAINED FROM (Note: If included in another's passport, state name of bearer) Location of Issuing Office: never Date of Issuance: _____			
DATE OF BIRTH Month: [redacted] Day: [redacted] Year: [redacted]	PLACE OF BIRTH (City, state/province, country) 66 PASAY CITY, PHILIPPINES	MY LAST REGISTRATION AS A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES WAS APPROVED Location of Registering Office: never Date of Registration: _____			
COLOR OF HAIR (Spell out): Brown COLOR OF EYES (Spell out): Brown SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: None	VISIBLE DISTINGUISHING MARKS LARGE MOLE LEFT ARM	Bearer: <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted herewith <input type="checkbox"/> Cancelled and returned <input type="checkbox"/> Seen and returned <input type="checkbox"/> Other disposition (state)			
NOW RESIDING AT Pio del Pilar, M. Reyes, Makati, Rizal		PERMANENT RESIDENCE (Street address, city, state, U.S. ZIP Code) (If same as above) Same			
IN THE EVENT OF DEATH OR ACCIDENT NOTIFY (Name in full, relationship, street address, city, state) LARRY BOWMAN, RR#, Box 441, Lizella, Georgia 31052					
HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED A PASSPORT OR REGISTRATION AS A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No IF ANSWER IS "YES", EXPLAIN WHEN AND WHY					
TO BE COMPLETED BY AN APPLICANT WHO BECAME A CITIZEN THROUGH NATURALIZATION					
I IMMIGRATED TO THE U.S. (Month, year)	I RESIDED CONTINUOUSLY IN THE U.S. From (Year) To (Year)	NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE NO. <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted herewith <input type="checkbox"/> Seen and returned <input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted			
PLACE NATURALIZED (City, state)		NATURALIZATION COURT	DATE NATURALIZED		
COMPLETE ONLY IF OTHERS ARE TO BE INCLUDED IN PASSPORT OR REGISTRATION AND SUBMIT GROUP PHOTOGRAPH					
WIFE(S) (HUSBAND'S) FULL LEGAL NAME		<input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE BORN <input type="checkbox"/> NATURALIZED	NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE NO. <input type="checkbox"/> Seen and returned		
PLACE NATURALIZED (City, state)		NATURALIZATION COURT	DATE NATURALIZED		
WIFE(S) (HUSBAND'S) PLACE OF BIRTH (City, State or Province, Country)		DATE OF BIRTH (Mo., Day, Year)			
NAME IN FULL OF CHILDREN INCLUDED	PLACE OF BIRTH (City, state/province, country)	DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)	RESIDED IN U.S. (From: To)		
EVIDENCE OF PRIOR DOCUMENTATION OF ABOVE-NAMED PERSONS TO BE INCLUDED (For completion by Consular Office)					
NAMES	PASSPORT NO.	DATE OF ISSUE	CANCELED OR OTHER DISPOSITION	DATE OF REGISTRATION OF BIRTH REPORT	LOCATION OF OFFICE
			AUG 18 1977 PT/AOC	RECEIVED AUG 20 1977 PASSPORT OFFICE PT/EE	
OTHER EVIDENCE OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP PRESENTED (State and location)					

F FATHER'S NAME LAWRENCE EDWIN BOWMAN FATHER'S PLACE OF BIRTH (City, State, Province or Country) STERLING, ILLINOIS U.S.A. U.S. CITIZEN NOT U.S. CITIZEN

DATE NATURALIZED n/a PLACE NATURALIZED (City, state) _____

FATHER'S DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED] 46 FATHER DECEASED RR #1, Box 44 FATHER RESIDED IN U.S. From 01/27/46 To PAES
 FATHER RESIDING AT Lizella, Ga

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME LOLITA CATARUNGAN MOTHER'S PLACE OF BIRTH (City, State, Province or Country) BULAN, SORSOGON, PHILIPPINES U.S. CITIZEN NOT U.S. CITIZEN

DATE NATURALIZED n/a PLACE NATURALIZED (City, state) _____

MOTHER'S DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED] 1943 MOTHER DECEASED RR #1, Box 441, MOTHER RESIDED IN U.S. From 8/24/68 To 5/19/77
 MOTHER RESIDING AT Lizella, Georgia

G I WAS NEVER MARRIED N/A PRESENT FULL LEGAL NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE _____
 I WAS LAST MARRIED ON (Date) _____

HUSBAND'S OR WIFE'S PLACE OF BIRTH (City, state) _____ HUSBAND'S OR WIFE'S DATE OF BIRTH _____ HUSBAND OR WIFE IS U.S. CITIZEN _____

HUSBAND OR WIFE NOW RESIDING AT _____

MARRIAGE NOT TERMINATED
 MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY DEATH DIVORCE ON _____

H **PROPOSED TRAVEL PLANS**

I INTEND TO RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES WITHIN 1 MONTHS
_____ YEARS TO RESIDE VISIT INDEFINITE
 I NEVER INTEND TO RETURN TO THE UNITED STATE

I INTEND TO CONTINUE TO RESIDE ABROAD FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON _____

I **COMPLETE IF RETURNING TO U.S.**

PORT OF DEPARTURE _____ DATE OF DEPARTURE _____

NAME OF SHIP OR AIRLINE _____

J **WARNING:** False statements made knowingly and willfully in passport applications or in affidavits or other supplementary statements made knowingly and willfully in support of an application for a passport issued pursuant to this application is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under the provisions of 18 USC 1001 and/or 18 USC 1542. Alteration or mutilation of a passport issued pursuant to this application is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under the provisions of 18 USC 1543. The use of a passport in violation of the restrictions contained therein or of the passport regulations is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under 18 USC 1544.

I have not (and no other person included in the application has), since acquiring United States citizenship, been naturalized as a citizen of a foreign state; taken an oath or made an affirmation or other formal declaration of allegiance to a foreign state; entered or served in the armed forces of a foreign state; accepted or performed the duties of any office, post, or employment under the government of a foreign state or political subdivision thereof; made a formal renunciation of nationality either in the United States or before a diplomatic or consular officer of the United States in a foreign state; ever sought or claimed the benefits of the nationality of any foreign state; or been convicted by a court or court martial of competent jurisdiction of committing any act of treason against, or attempting by force to overthrow, or bearing arms against, the United States, or conspiring to overthrow, put down or to destroy by force, the Government of the United States.

(If any of the above-mentioned acts or conditions have been performed by or apply to the applicant, or to any other person to be included in the passport or registration, the portion which applies should be struck out, and a supplementary explanatory statement under oath (or affirmation) by the person to whom the portion is applicable should be attached and made a part of this application.)

I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the statements made on all the pages of this application are true and that the photograph attached is a likeness of me and of those persons to be included in the passport.

Alma Bella Bowman
Alma Bella Bowman

Lawrence E. Bowman
by: Lawrence E. Bowman (father)

(To be signed at same time by husband/wife to be included in passport)

(To be signed by Applicant in presence of person administering oath)

Subscribed and sworn to (affirmed) before me this 3rd day of June, 1977.

(Seal) (b) (6)

Vice Consul (b) (6) of the United States at Manila, Philippines

IDENTIFYING DOCUMENTS, SUBMITTED (See 8 FAM 243, Procedures)



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION STATEMENT TO BE COMPLETED AS REQUIRED BY CONSUL.

- First Time Applicant** **Marriage Prior to March 3, 1931**
 Referred to Department for Decision **Resided Outside United States Over 10 Years Since Last Application**

(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)
Alma Bella Bowman
ALMA BELLA BOWMAN a United States citizen, do solemnly swear (affirm) to the following statements.

I CEASED TO RESIDE IN THE UNITED STATES ON OR ABOUT n/a I DEPARTED FROM THE UNITED STATES ON (Date) n/a

I DEPARTED BY Ship Airline NAME OF SHIP OR AIRLINE COMPANY n/a PLACE OF DEPARTURE

I HAVE SINCE RESIDED IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES Philippines I AM NOW RESIDING IN (Name of country) Philippines
 Permanently Temporarily

MY REASONS FOR SUCH FOREIGN RESIDENCE ARE
Birthplace

DATA ON BROTHERS AND SISTERS, LIVING AND DECEASED

NAME	DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH	PRESENT ADDRESS
<u>None</u>		
<u>n/a</u>		

IF ANY BROTHERS AND/OR SISTERS HAVE APPLIED FOR A PASSPORT OR REGISTRATION, FURNISH FOLLOWING INFORMATION

NAME	DATE OF APPLICATION	PLACE OF APPLICATION
<u>n/a</u>		

OTHER REFERENCES IN THE UNITED STATES

NAME	ADDRESS
<u>Lawrence Bowman</u>	<u>RR #, Box 441, Lizella, Ga</u>

SCHOOLS ATTENDED IN THE UNITED STATES

NAME	ADDRESS	PERIOD OF ATTENDANCE
<u>n/a</u>		

BAPTISMAL DATA CHURCH ADDRESS DATE
Parish of the Holy Trinity - Taft Ave, Pasay City - 053173

MARRIAGE PRIOR TO MARCH 3, 1931

The following section is to be completed by a woman applicant (or a wife to be included in a passport or registration) who, (1) was previously married before March 3, 1931, and (2) has not been issued or included in a United States passport or registration as a United States citizen abroad since March 3, 1931.

PREVIOUS MARRIAGE TERMINATED BY Death Divorce DATE TERMINATED

NAME OF FORMER HUSBAND (First, middle, last) PLACE OF HIS BIRTH (City, state)

IF FORMER HUSBAND WAS BORN OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES, COMPLETE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

HE WAS NATURALIZED AS A U.S. CITIZEN ON PLACE (City, state) NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE NO.

HE OTHERWISE ACQUIRED U.S. CITIZENSHIP AS FOLLOWS

FORMER HUSBAND WAS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN

I have (read) (had read to me in the _____ language) the contents of this application and I swear that I understand the statements contained herein.
Alma Bella Bowman by: Lawrence E. Bowman (father)
 (Signature of Applicant)

EVIDENCE SUBMITTED

DISPOSITION

Sent to Dept: (1) Cert of Live Birth of Alma Bella Catarungan Bowman, showing birth on [REDACTED] '66 in Pasay City (late regn of birth - 5/31/77); (2) Baptismal Cert of Alma Bella Bowman from the Parish of the Holy Trinity (Phil Independent Catholic Church), showing birth on [REDACTED]/66 and baptism on May 31/77; (3) Marriage Contract between Lawrence E. Bowman and Lolita Catarungan, both single, showing marriage on June 28/68 in Makati, Rizal; (4) Affidavit of Paternity executed by Lawrence Edwin Bowman on June 3/77 at the Embassy; (5) Letter of Lawrence E. Bowman to the Embassy*

OPINION OF CONSULAR OFFICER

NOTE: The consular officer should cite in his opinion the facts and conclusions required to decide the case. Additional background information may be given here. Use extra pages if necessary.

* dated June 12/77 stating "As I told you before there is always a possibility that Alma Bella may not be my daughter, but my wife says she is"; and (6) Joint affidavit of Lawrence Edwin Bowman and Lolita Catarungan Bowman dated June 13/77, claiming applicant as their daughter and that they do not want their daughter, at the present time to become a citizen of the US; and (7) Photocopies of pages of US Ppt # [REDACTED] issued to Lawrence Edwin Bowman on Nov 26/76 in Miami, Florida; ~~xxx~~

(see covering OM)

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH

(FILL OUT COMPLETELY, ACCURATELY, LEGIBLY IN INK OR TYPEWRITER)

LATE REGISTRATION: registered in accordance with Register Number 16(c) Appendix "B" Manual of Civil Registration.
Province: Pasay City (a) Civil Registrar-General No. (b) Local Civil Registrar No.

1. PLACE OF BIRTH: a. PROVINCE, b. CITY OR MUNICIPALITY (Pasay City), c. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION (de la Cruz St.), d. IS PLACE OF BIRTH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? (No)

2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER (Where does mother live?): a. PROVINCE, b. CITY OR MUNICIPALITY (Pasay City), c. NUMBER AND STREET (M. de la Cruz St.), d. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? (No), e. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? (No)

3. NAME (To be printed): First ALMA BELLA, Middle CATARUNCAN, Last BOWMAN
4. SEX: F, 5b. IF TWIN OR TRIPLET, WAS CHILD: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6. DATE OF BIRTH: Year 1966

7. NAME: First Lawrence, Middle Edwin, Last Bowman, RELIGION: Lutheran, 8. NATIONALITY: American, 8a. RACE: White
9. AGE (At time of this birth): 20 Years, 10. BIRTHPLACE: Illinois U.S.A., 11a. USUAL OCCUPATION: Inter revenue service employee, 11b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY: DUSTRY

12. MAIDEN NAME: First Lolita, Middle R., Last Catarungan, RELIGION: Lutheran, 13. NATIONALITY: Filipino, 13a. RACE: Brown
14. AGE (At time of this birth): 23 Years, 15. BIRTHPLACE: Bulan Sorsogon, 16. PREVIOUS DELIVERIES TO MOTHER (Do not include this birth): 0

17a. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE: (sgd) Lolita C. Bowman, b. NAME IN PRINT: Lolita C. Bowman, c. ADDRESS:
18. MOTHER'S MAILING ADDRESS: (Number, Street, City or Municipality, Province) Present Address: RR 1 Box 441 Lizella Georgia U.S.A. - 31052
19. ATTENDANT AT BIRTH: I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended the birth of this child who was born alive at 4:00 o'clock M. on the date above indicated. d. DATE SIGNED BY ATTENDANT AT BIRTH:
a. SIGNATURE: (sgd) Lolita C. Bowman, b. NAME IN PRINT: Lolita C. Bowman, c. ADDRESS:
e. TITLE OF ATTENDANT AT BIRTH: M. D., MIDWIFE, NURSE, OTHERS (Specify) hilot

20. RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR BY: a. SIGNATURE: (sgd) illegible, b. NAME IN PRINT: Bernardino M. Adap, c. TITLE OR POSITION: Deputy Local Civil Registrar, d. DATE: May 31, 1977
21. a. GIVEN NAME ADDED FROM SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT: b. DATE WHEN GIVEN NAME WAS SUPPLIED:

22a. LENGTH OF PREGNANCY: 40 COMPLETED WEEKS, 22b. WEIGHT AT BIRTH: 7 Lbs., 23. LEGITIMATE: YES, NO
24. DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OF PARENTS (For legitimate birth): June 28 1968 (Month) (Date) (Year) City or Municipality Makati Province Rizal
25. THIS CERTIFICATE IS PREPARED BY: SIGNATURE: NAME IN PRINT: TITLE OR POSITION: DATE:

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(SPACE FOR MEDICAL AND HEALTH ITEMS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES)

Republic of the Philippines)
City of Manila) S. S.
Embassy of the United States of America)

ORIGINAL/CERTIFIED COPY SEEN AND COMPARED (b) (6)

Consular Officer

REPRODUCED TRUE COPY OF THE ORIGINAL PASAY CITY REGISTER



AFFIDAVIT TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IN CASE OF AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD

(This affidavit is exempt from the documentary stamp tax and may be subscribed before the Local Civil Registrar concerned, free of charge, Act No. 3753, Sections 5 and 12)

I, Lolita Catarungan, mother, and I, Lawrence Edwin Bowman, father of the child described in this Birth Certificate, do hereby swear that the data contained therein are true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and information.

(sgd) Lolita Catarungan Bowman
(Signature of mother)

(sgd) Illegible
(Signature of father)

Name in print: _____
Residence Certificate No. A- _____
Date issued: _____
Place issued: _____

Name in print: _____
Residence Certificate No. A- _____
Date issued: _____
Place issued: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 30th day of May, 1977 at Pasay City, Philippines.

Not. Reg. No. _____
Page No. _____
Book No. _____
Series of _____

(sgd) Illegible
(Signature of person administering oath)
BERNARDINO M. ADAP
(Name in print)
Deputy Local Civil Registrar
(Title)

IMPORTANT

In filling out this form be guided by the instructions contained in the **MANUAL ON CIVIL REGISTRATION AND VITAL STATISTICS** issued by the Civil Registrar-General.

Value of birth certificates.—Birth certificates are very valuable, hence they must be correctly and completely filled out in ink or typewriter and filed with the local civil registrar in two copies (original and one carbon copy).

The following are some of the important uses of a birth certificate:

1. Proof of family-relations (paternity, maternity, and filiation). Such proof is required when claiming for succession or inheritance, pension and other rights incidental to family relations.
2. It serves as evidence of age which is required when (a) first entering school; (b) establishing the first right to vote; (c) taking civil service examination and entering government service; (d) getting life insurance; (e) securing passport; (f) establishing age when going to work in commercial or industrial establishments; (g) getting marriage license; (h) military training, etc.

Note.—In the case of an exposed child, the person who found the same shall report to the local civil registrar the place, date, and hour of finding and other attendant circumstances.

In case of an illegitimate child, the birth certificate shall be signed and sworn to jointly by the parents of the infant or only by the mother if the father refuses. In the latter case, it shall not be permissible to state or reveal in the document the name of the father who refuses to acknowledge the child, or to give therein any information by which such father could be identified, even if known.

False statements.—Any person who shall knowingly make false statements in the forms furnished and shall present the same for entry in the civil register shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one month nor more than six, or by a fine of not less than P200 nor more than P500, or both, in the discretion of the court. (Act 3753, Sec. 16)

Failure to Report.—Other Violations.—Any person whose duty is to report any fact concerning the civil status of persons and who knowingly fail to perform such duty, and any person convicted of having violated any of the provisions of this Act, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten pesos nor more than two hundred. (Sec. 17, Act 3753.)

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PARISH
2372 TAFT AVENUE PASAY

ADDRESS
METRO MANILA
PHILIPPINES



MSGR. GREGORIO AGLIPAY, D.D.

ST. JOHN

BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE

AIMA BELLA BOWMAN

Date of Baptism MAY 31, 1977

Name of Child AIMA BELLA BOWMAN

Date of Birth [REDACTED] 1966

Place of Birth M. DE LA CRUZ, PASAY CITY

Filiation LEGITIMATE Nationality FILIPINA

Name of Father LARRY BOWMAN

Name of Mother LOLITA CATARUNGAN

Residence Rock I Box 441 Locile, Georgia, USA

Paternal Grandparents JOHN BOWMAN LAURA CASEY

Maternal Grandparents FAUSTINO CATARUNGAN & ELENA REYES

Sponsors MRS. LOURDES MCINTYRE

& EDUARDO MCINTYRE, both married

Civil Status _____

Officiating Priest Bishop MANUEL LAGASCA

In witness whereof, I hereby sign this certificate of baptism this 31st
M A Y 77
day of _____, 1977

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Book No. Baptismal-8-B

[Signature]
PARISH PRIEST
METROPOLITAN BISHOP OF GREATER MANILA

ORIGINAL/CERTIFIED COPY SEEN AND COMPARED
Embassy of the United States of America
City of Manila
Republic of the Philippines

CERTIFIED TRUE XEROX COPY (FORM NO. 13)
MUNICIPAL OFFICE
MAKATI METRO MANILA

REGISTER NO. 910
PAGE NO. 47 BOOK NO. XXI

Lawrence E. Bowman
BENITO D. SAMSON
LCR. CLERK
ASST. LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

Marriage Contract

City or Municipality of Makati, Province of Rizal

CEA 77	HUSBAND	WIFE
Contracting Parties	Lawrence E. Bowman	Lolita Catarungan
(a) Age	22 yrs. & 4 mos.	25 yrs. & 4 mos.
(b) Nationality	American	Filipino
(c) Residence	5503 Bauangeno, Makati, Rzl	5503 Bauangeno, Makati, Rizal
Single, widowed or div	Single	Single
Father	John E. Bowman	Faustino Catarungan
Nationality	American	American
Mother	Laura Elizabeth Casey	Elena Reyes
Nationality	American	Filipina
Witnesses	Nicholas Tomasek	Lourdes Martinez
Residence	3525 Bauangeno, Makati, Rzl	Makati, Rizal
Persons who gave consent or advice	X X X X X X X X X X	X X X X X X X X X X
(a) Residence	X X X X X X X X X X	X X X X X X X X X X
(b) Relation to contracting party	X X X X X X X X X X	X X X X X X X X X X

Place of marriage { Office of the House of Barrio of Church of } H. C.A.C.C.
Date of marriage June 28, 1968

Marraige solemnized by Rev. Manuel L. Blas
(a) Minister (b) 4364 Valdez, Makati, Rizal
(Position) (Address)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY: That I, Lawrence E. Bowman and I, Lolita Catarungan on the date and at the place above given, of our own free will and accord, and in the presence of the person solemnizing this marriage and of the two witnesses named below, both of age, take each other as husband and wife.

And I, Rev. Manuel L. Blas Minister CERTIFY: That on the date and at the place above written the aforesaid Lawrence E. Bowman and Lolita Catarungan were with their mutual consent lawfully joined together

in holy matrimony by me in the presence of said witnesses, both of age; and I further certify that the Marriage License No. 2756670, issued at Makati on June 28, 1968 in favor of said parties, was exhibited to me or no marriage license was exhibited to me, this marriage being of an exceptional character performed under Art of Rep. Act 386; and that consent or advice to such marriage was duly given, as required by law, by the person or persons above mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we signed, (or marked with our fingerprint) this certificate in triplicate this 28th day of June, 1968.

(SGD) LAWRENCE E. BOWMAN (SGD) LOLITA CATARUNGAN
(Contracting Party) (Contracting Party)

(SGD) REV. MANUEL L. BLAS
(Judge, Justice of the Peace, Mayor, Priest, Minister, etc.)

WITNESSES

(SGD) NICHOLAS TOMASEK (SGD) LOURDES MARTINEZ

MUNICIPAL FORM NO. 27—FORM NO. 121
REGISTER NO.

Matrimonio

City or Municipality of _____
 Province of _____
 Contracting Parties
 (a) _____
 (b) _____

NOTE.—In case of marriage on the point of death, when the dying party, being physically unable, cannot sign the Instrument by signature or mark, it shall be sufficient for one of the witnesses to the marriage to sign in his name, which fact shall be attested by the person solemnizing the marriage in the following form:

I hereby certify that the contracting party _____ being on the point of death and physically unable, to sign the foregoing marriage contract by signature or mark, one of the witnesses to the marriage signed for him or her said contract by writing the dying party's name and beneath it, the witness' own signature preceded by the preposition 'By'.

Nationality _____
 Mother _____
 Nationality _____
 (Judge, Justice of the Peace, Mayor, Priest, Minister, etc.) _____
 Residence _____
 Persons who gave consent or advice _____

INSTRUCTIONS

1. A copy of this contract must be furnished to either of the contracting parties, another copy must be sent, not later than 15 days (30 days in case of marriage "in articulo mortis" or at a place more than 15 km. distant from municipal building), after the solemnization of the marriage, to the Local Civil Registrar of the municipality where the marriage was performed, and the third copy (with marriage license, etc.) to be retained by the person solemnizing the marriage in the files he must keep (Rep. Act 386, Arts. 68, 73, and 74).
2. For marriages between Filipino citizens abroad, consuls and vice consuls of the Republic of the Philippines shall send the copy pertaining to the local civil registrar (mentioned in No. 1) to the Civil Registrar-General, Manila. The duties of the local civil registrar and of a judge or justice of the peace or mayor with regard to the celebration of marriage shall be performed by such consuls and vice-consuls (Rep. Act 386, Art. 75).

SOME PENAL PROVISIONS ACT 3613

Any priest or minister solemnizing marriage without being authorized by the Director of the Bureau of Public Libraries or who upon solemnizing Marriage, refuses to exhibit his authorization in force when called upon to do so by the parties or parents, grandparents, guardians, or persons having charge; and any bishop or officer, priest, or minister of any church, religion or sect the regulations and practices whereof require banns or publications previous to the solemnizations of marriage in accordance with section 10, who authorizes the immediate solemnization of a marriage that is subsequently declared illegal, or any officer, priest or minister solemnizing marriage in violation of the provisions of this Act, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one month nor more than two years, or by a fine of not less than two hundred pesos nor more than two thousand pesos. (Sec. 39)

Any officer, minister or priest, solemnizing marriage in a place other than those authorized by this Act, shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five pesos nor more than three hundred pesos, or by imprisonment for not more than one month, or both, in the discretion of the court. (Sec. 40)

Any officer, priest or minister failing to deliver to either of the contracting parties one of the copies of the marriage contract or to forward the other copy to the authorities within the period fixed by law for said purpose, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one month, or by a fine of not more than three hundred pesos, or both, in the discretion of the court. (Sec. 41)

Any officer, priest, or minister who, having solemnized a marriage "In Articulo Mortis" or any other marriage of an exceptional character, shall fail to comply with the provisions of Chapter II of this Act, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one month nor more than two years, or by a fine of not less than three hundred pesos nor more than two thousand pesos, or both in the discretion of the court. (Sec. 43)

Any violation of any provisions of this Act not specifically penalized, or of the regulations to be promulgated by the proper authorities shall be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred pesos or by imprisonment for not more than one month, or both, in the discretion of the court. (Sec. 44)

Any priest or minister of the gospel of any denomination, church, sect, or religion convicted of the violation of any of the provisions of this Act, or of any crime, involving moral turpitude, shall in addition to the penalties incurred in each case, be qualified to solemnize marriage for a period of not less than six months nor more than six years at the discretion of the court. (Sec. 46, as amended by Act 4236)

Contracting Party _____
 Contracting Party _____
 (Judge, Justice of the Peace, Mayor, Priest, Minister, etc.) _____
 Witnesses _____
 (and date) _____

That, to the best of my knowledge, I am the natural father/mother of the following children:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH</u>
<u>ALMA BELLA BOWMAN</u>	<u>[REDACTED] 66</u>	<u>PASAY CITY, Philippines</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

WARNING: False statements made knowingly and willfully in passport applications or affidavits or other supporting documents are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under the provisions of 18 USC 1001 and/or 18 USC 1542.

I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the statements made on all the pages of this affidavit are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief and that this affidavit is for the purpose of establishing my relationship to the aforementioned child/children; and for the purpose of establishing his/her/their claim to United States citizenship.

Alma E. Bowman
(Signature of Affiant)

RR #1, Boy 441 LIZONA, GA
(Present Address)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO (AFFIRMED) before me this JUN - 3 1977 day of _____, 19 _____ at Manila, Philippines (b) (6)

Vice Consul of the United States of America

(Signature of Administering Officer)

(SEAL)

(Title of Administering Officer)

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November/74

Citizenship and Passport Office
American Embassy
Manila, Philippines

AFFIDAVIT OF PATERNITY/MATERNITY

I, LAWRENCE EDWIN BOWMAN, the undersigned do solemnly swear (or affirm):

That I am an American citizen
by birth in STERLING, ILLINOIS on 01 27 46
(City, town, state) (Date)

by naturalization before the _____ on _____
(Name of Court) (Date)

at _____
(Place of Naturalization)

That I have been physically present in the United States as follows:

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
<u>STERLING, ILL</u>	From <u>01 27 46</u> to <u>1949</u>
<u>GENESEE, ILL</u>	From <u>1949</u> to <u>1964</u>
<u>U.S. NAVY</u>	From <u>7/64</u> to <u>5/68</u>
<u>DIXON, ILL</u>	From <u>5/68</u> to <u>9/70</u>
<u>ROCHELLE, ILL</u>	From <u>9/70</u> to <u>6/72</u>
<u>LIZELLA, GA</u>	From <u>7/72</u> to <u>PR-S</u>

(Continue on reverse if necessary)

That I have been physically present abroad as follows:

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>STATUS*</u>
<u>ASIA (USS EIKHORN)</u>	FROM <u>1965</u> to <u>1967</u>	<u>U.S. NAVY</u>
<u>Philippines</u>	From <u>6/68</u> to <u>8/68</u>	<u>TOURIST</u>
_____	From _____ to _____	_____
_____	From _____ to _____	_____
_____	From _____ to _____	_____
_____	From _____ to _____	_____

That I have served in the United States Armed Forces from JULY, 1964 to MAY, 1968. My military service number is [REDACTED]. My Social Security number is [REDACTED].

That I was married on 06 28 68 to LOLITA CATALUNSAN
(Date) (Name of Spouse)

whom I first met on Agony 10/65 at MANILA, PHILIPPINES
(Date) (Place)

*If employed give name of employer, e.g., "military service, U.S. Army;" "Foreign Service Officer, Department of State." If physically present abroad as dependent, unmarried son or daughter and member of household of person abroad in service of U.S. Armed Forces or U.S. Government or International Organization so indicate, e.g., "U.S. Army dependent." If vacationer, indicate "vacationer" or "tourist."

Mrs. Cooper
Citizenship and Passport branch
American Embassy-Manila
APO, San Francisco 96528

Dear Mrs. Cooner:

Enclosed please find the following items:

1. An affidavit signed by my wife and myself
2. A copy of my separation papers from the Navy
3. A copy of the letter I sent to Commander Service Force
4. A copy of the letter I sent to the State Department
5. A copy of approved petition for immigration of our daughter.

Would you please do all you can to allow our daughter to come over here as soon as possible. We would like to have her here this summer so we could send her to a special school to learn to read and write in English before the school year begins in September. I know there are ways of breaking the red tape and I would appreciate it if you would try. I know you were skeptical about our story, but it is the truth. As I told you before there is always a possibility that Alma Bella may not be my daughter by birth, but my wife says she is. Even if she is not my daughter by birth, she is my daughter due to our marriage.

You can reach me at the following addresses and phone numbers if I am needed:

Internal Revenue Service	RR # 1 Box 441
P.O. Box 4601	or Lizella, Georgia 31052
Macon, Georgia 31208	912-836-4570
FTS 238-0272	

In Manila you can reach my daughter at the following address and phone

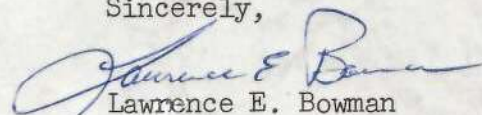
Alma Bella Bowman
2122 M. Reyes St.
Pio del Pilar
Makati, Rizal, RP
87-72-78
c/o. Lourdes McIntyre

It is my opinion that I will not be able to get the information about my ship movements, but have tried. We would just as soon have Alma make her own choice as to her citizenship at a later date. Maybe both her and her mother will become citizen together through Naturalization.

I am keeping a copy of all my correspondence for future references if needed.

I appreciate your cooperation and look forward to getting Alma to the states.

Sincerely,

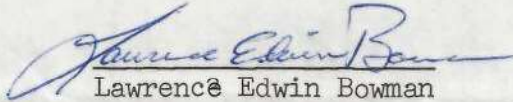

Lawrence E. Bowman

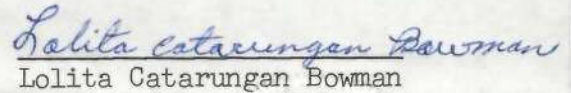
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We, Lawrence Edwin Bowman, a citizen and resident of the United States, and Lolita Catarungan Bowman, a citizen of the Phillipines and a resident of the United States, states the following

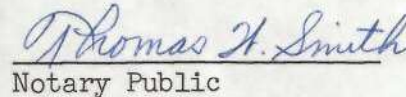
That Alma Bella Bowman, a citizen and a resident of the Philippines is our daughter: That we do not want our daughter, at the present time to become a citizen of the United States:

That if Alma Bella Bowman, at a future date wishes to become a United States citizen, she will become naturalized under the existing laws of the United States and will not claim citizenship due to birth.


Lawrence Edwin Bowman


Lolita Catarungan Bowman

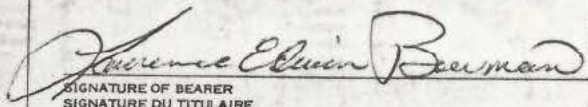
Subscribed and sworn to me this 13 day of June, 1977.


Notary Public



My Commission Expires Feb. 23, 1979

→ **WARNING:** ALTERATION, ADDITION OR MUTILATION OF ENTRIES IS PROHIBITED. ANY UNOFFICIAL CHANGE WILL RENDER THIS PASSPORT INVALID.

NAME - NOM LAWRENCE EDWIN BOWMAN			
BIRTH DATE - DATE DE NAISSANCE [REDACTED] 1946		BIRTHPLACE - LIEU DE NAISSANCE ILLINOIS, U.S.A.	
HEIGHT - TAILLE 5 FEET 9 INCHES PIEDS POUCES		HAIR - CHEVEUX BROWN	EYES - YEUX BROWN
WIFE / HUSBAND - EPOUSE / EPOUX X X X		ISSUE DATE - DATE DE DELIVRANCE [REDACTED] 1976	
MINORS - ENFANTS MINEURS X X X		EXPIRATION DATE DATE D'EXPIRATION → [REDACTED] 1981	
 SIGNATURE OF BEARER SIGNATURE DU TITULAIRE			

→ **IMPORTANT:** THIS PASSPORT IS NOT VALID UNTIL SIGNED BY THE BEARER. PERSONS INCLUDED HEREBIN MAY NOT USE THIS PASSPORT FOR TRAVEL UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY THE BEARER.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20520

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Visas

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PASSPORT BEARER
TO OBTAIN NECESSARY VISAS
IL INCOMBE AU TITULAIRE DE SE FAIRE DELIVRER
LES VISAS REQUIS.
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DEPARTURES
SORTIES

Lawrence Edwin Bowman
Signature of Passport Holder

Visas

PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL
New Orleans, Louisiana

SEEN
For Journey to the Philippines of:
Visa No. **NO-161**

Lawrence Edwin Bowman

Visa includes **None**

Signature of Consul

Valid for entry on **1 March, 1950**
to **2 March, 1957**

Issued under Section **9(a)** of the
Philippine Immigration Act of 1940, as
amended, and Section **10** of the
Philippine Immigration Act of 1940, as
amended, for **TEMPORARY VISITOR
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Department of State (PPT/FE)

DATE: **AUG - 6 1977**

FROM : Amembassy MANILA *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: CPAS RP (BOWMAN, ALMA BELLA) APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

Enclosed is an application for registration of the above-named Subject executed by Lawrence E. Bowman at this office on June 3, 1977.

The applicant was born out of wedlock on [redacted] 1966 in Pasay City, Philippines to a Philippine citizen mother, Lolita Catarungan. She claims United States citizenship through her alleged father, Lawrence E. Bowman, who was married to her mother on June 28, 1968 in Makati, Rizal, Philippines. The intermarriage of the couple legitimated the applicant under Article 270 of the Philippine Civil Code if Subject is truly the blood-child of the alleged father.

The disturbing factors noted by the Embassy which cast doubt concerning the paternity of the applicant is the delayed registration of birth (May 31, 1977); the space for attendant at birth was signed by the mother although it shows that an unlicensed midwife attended the mother's delivery; the delayed baptism; and the non-submission of evidence of physical presence of the alleged father during the approximate period of conception of the applicant (sometime in [redacted]). These factors and the statement of Mr. Bowman in his letter of June 12, 1977 stating "as I told you before there is always a possibility that Alma Bella may not be my daughter by birth, but my wife says she is". Therefore, the doubtful paternity of the applicant is evident, although Mr. Bowman still claims that the applicant is his daughter as stated in the joint affidavit executed by him and his wife on June 13, 1977. A field investigation to determine the identity and the pre-marital relationship of the parents was not conducted by the Embassy.

In view of the above findings, the Embassy is not convinced that the applicant was sired by the alleged father. It is recommended that this application be disapproved.

Enclosure: *[Red checkmark]*
as stated.

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Exhibit K

Document Type	Disposition/Exemptions Cited	Content and Justification for withholding	Row Count	Relevant Paragraph
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