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Re:

Appeal No. DOJ-AP-2020-001290

Request No. 19-00798-F

MWH:JNW

VIA: FOIAonline

Dear Taylor Kelly:

You appealed from the action of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) on your Freedom of Information Act request for access to records concerning the following: (1) instances in which DEA suspended or revoked dispensers' registration to dispense controlled substances under 21 U.S.C. 823; and (2) instances in which dispensers voluntarily suspended a registration to dispense controlled substances under 21 U.S.C. § 823. I note that your appeal concerns DEA's full denial of subpart two of your request pursuant to Exemption 7(C).

After carefully considering your appeal, and as a result of discussions between DEA personnel and this Office, I am remanding your request to DEA for a search for responsive records. If DEA locates releasable records, it will send them to you directly, subject to any applicable fees. You may appeal any future adverse determination made by DEA. If you would like to inquire about the status of this remanded request or to receive an estimated date of completion, please contact DEA directly at (202) 307-7596.

If you have any questions regarding the action this Office has taken on your appeal, you may contact this Office's FOIA Public Liaison for your appeal. Specifically, you may speak with the undersigned agency official by calling (202) 514-3642.

If you are dissatisfied with my action on your appeal, the FOIA permits you to file a lawsuit in federal district court in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(B).

Sincerely,

4/15/2020

Matthew W. Hurd

Acting Chief, Administrative Appeals Staff

Signed by: MATTHEW HURD