



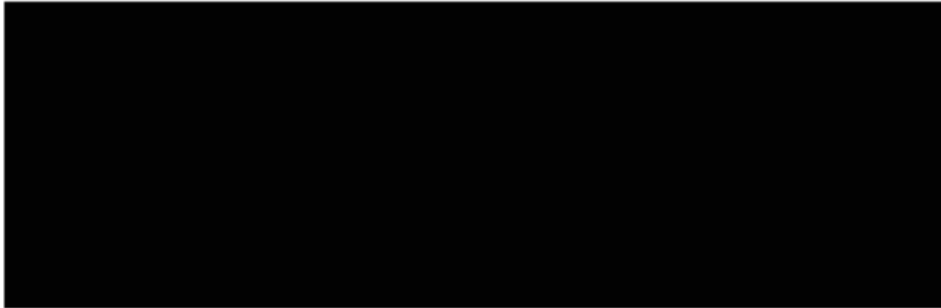
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August 3, 2015

Mr. Mike Masnick



Re: AG/15-04278 (F)  
DAG/15-04279 (F)  
VRB:LAD:JKD

Dear Mr. Masnick:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated June 22, 2015, for DOJ guidelines on whether or not seek a non-disclosure order to go along with a subpoena to a media organization concerning comments on their website. Because you directed your request to the FOIA/PA Mail Referral Unit, Justice Management Division, for appropriate routing, it was not received by this Office until June 24, 2015. This response is made on behalf of the Office of the Attorney General.

Please be advised that a search has been conducted of the electronic database of the Departmental Executive Secretariat, which maintains certain records of the Offices of the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General records, and no records responsive to your request were located.

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) (2012). 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.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy, United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through this Office's eFOIA portal at [www.justice.gov/oip/efoia-portal.html](http://www.justice.gov/oip/efoia-portal.html). Your appeal must be postmarked or transmitted electronically within sixty days from the date of this letter. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "V. Brinkmann".

for

Vanessa R. Brinkmann  
Senior Counsel