April 23, 2021

Submitted via email to: ADCentralRecords@dps.ohio.gov

Ohio State Highway Patrol
Central Records
PO Box 182074
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Dear Sir or Madam:

This is a request under the Ohio Public Records Act, ORC Sec. 149.43, on behalf of Advocates for Basic Legal Equality (“ABLE”), a legal services organization that represents people living in poverty in individual and impact litigation in Ohio, and the American Immigration Council (“Council”), a national nonprofit immigration law organization that represents clients and groups in litigation, education, communication strategies, and cultural exchange to advance immigrant rights. We request to be provided with copies of, or the opportunity to inspect and copy, the following:

1. All documents dated October 1, 2015 to the present entitled “Incident Detailed Report” that contain the terms “OSCAR,” “Border Patrol,” “Payne,” “Darr,” “Mateo,” “Medina,” and/or “Olson.”

2. All documents dated October 1, 2015 to the present entitled “Incident Detailed Report” that contain the word “ICE” and/or “Immigration and Customs Enforcement.”

3. All documents dated October 1, 2015 to the present entitled “Incident Recall Report” that contain the terms “OSCAR,” “Border Patrol,” “Payne,” “Darr,” “Mateo,” “Medina,” and/or “Olson.”

4. All documents dated October 1, 2015 to the present entitled “Incident Recall Report” that contain the terms “ICE,” and/or “Immigration and Customs Enforcement.”

5. All documents dated October 1, 2015 to the present entitled “Incident Detailed Report” with disposition codes that include “3M” or “3F.”

6. All documents dated October 1, 2015 to the present entitled “Incident Recall Report” with disposition codes that include “3M” or “3F.”
7. Any and all paper, electronic, and other documents, including any written agreements, memoranda, letters of understanding, correspondence of cooperation, or communications of any nature between Ohio State Highway Patrol and United States Border Patrol dated October 1, 2015 to present.

8. Any and all notifications of violations by Ohio State Highway Patrol or Border Patrol of any agreement or terms of an agreement identified in any record produced as responsive to #7.

9. Any and all paper, electronic, and other documents, including any written agreements, memoranda, letters of understanding, correspondence of cooperation, or communications of any nature between Ohio State Highway Patrol and United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) dated January 1, 2016 to present.

10. Any and all notifications of violations by Ohio State Highway Patrol or Border Patrol of any agreement or terms of an agreement identified in any record produced as responsive to #9.

11. Any and all After Action Reports generated by OSHP and Border Patrol command staff between October 1, 2015 and present regarding OSHP and Border Patrol co-patrols (see attached, page 9).

12. A copy of the current Ohio State Highway Patrol policy OSP-500.01-02, Organizational Responsibilities, and copies of any prior versions that were in effect from October 1, 2015 to present.

13. A copy of the current Ohio State Highway Patrol policy OSP-902.08, Immigration and Naturalization, and copies of any prior versions that were in effect from October 1, 2015 to present.

14. Any and all General Headquarters Morning Reports created from October 1, 2015 to the present containing the terms “Border Patrol,” “Immigration,” “Illegal Alien,” “OSCAR,” “Operation Quick Hatch,” “Operation Street Wise,” “Operation Stonegarden,” “Northern Border Initiative,” “NBI,” “Immigration and Customs Enforcement” or “ICE.”

15. Any and all District Headquarters Morning Reports created from October 1, 2015 to the present containing the terms “Border Patrol,” “Immigration,” “Illegal Alien,” “OSCAR,” “Operation Quick Hatch,” “Operation Street Wise,” “Operation Stonegarden,” “Northern Border Initiative,” “NBI,” “Immigration and Customs Enforcement” or “ICE.”

17. Any and all General Headquarters Monthly Administrative Reports and Statistical Summaries issued from October 1, 2015 to the present containing the terms “Border Patrol,” “Immigration,” “Illegal Alien,” “OSCAR,” “Operation Quick Hatch,” “Operation Street Wise,” “Operation Stonegarden,” “Northern Border Initiative,” “NBI,” “Immigration and Customs Enforcement” or “ICE.”

18. Any and all Staff and Command Meeting reports or records created from October 1, 2015 to the present containing the terms “Border Patrol,” “Immigration,” “Illegal Alien,” “OSCAR,” “Operation Quick Hatch,” “Operation Street Wise,” “Operation Stonegarden,” “Northern Border Initiative,” “NBI,” “Immigration and Customs Enforcement” or “ICE.”

19. Any and all Dispatch System records from October 1, 2015 to the present, including but not limited to, Dispatch System events, that contain the terms “OSCAR,” “Border Patrol,” “Payne,” “Darr,” “Mateo,” “Medina,” and/or “Olson.”

20. Any and all Professional Operations Quarterly Reports issued by Ohio State Highway Patrol from January 1, 2014 to the present.

21. Any and all records of complaints filed against Ohio State Highway Patrol and/or OSHP troopers, whether filed in writing, electronic form submission, via phone, or other means.

Should you deny this request, or any part of the request, please state in writing the basis for the denial, including the exact statutory citation authorizing the denial.

We respectfully request a prompt response as required by Ohio Revised Code § 149.43(B)(1). Because ABLE is a non-profit law firm, we also request a waiver of all fees for this request. If this fee waiver cannot be granted, or if you have any questions regarding the requests, please contact Kathleen Kersh at (937) 535-4408 or kkersh@ablelaw.org. Please return all responses to Kathleen Kersh. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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