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Melanie Ann Pustay, Deputy Director
Office of Information and Privacy
Suite 570, Flag Building
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001
(202) 514-FOIA

Dear Ms. Pustay:

I am writing under FOI/PA to request copies of any and all communications – including but not limited to email, memos, letters, phone messages, appointment book/calendar entries – that Attorney General Ashcroft and his staff may have had during Mr. Ashcroft's tenure as U.S. attorney general with Garrett Lott and or any other people working on or for Ashcroft 2000 and the Spirit of America PAC, including outside consultants or counsel to and/or for those entities.

I am also requesting under FOI/PA a copy of Mr. Ashcroft's appointment calendar for his period in office as U.S. attorney general and of the names of and all publications purchased and/or subscribed to and/or canceled by the Dept. of Justice and also canceled by and for the office of the U.S. attorney general during his tenure.

I am also requesting under FOI/PA any and all purchase orders and communications – including but not limited to email, memos, letters, phone messages, appointment book/calendar entries – regarding the purchase of the curtain that is now used on the stage in Main Justice's Great Hall.

As a member of a legitimate news organization engaged in newsgathering activity, I request a fee waiver for this request. If this is rejected, I will pay reasonable fees, but please contact me if costs rise above \$200.

I would appreciate your providing me documents under this request on a piecemeal basis as they are produced, rather than waiting until they are all available.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact me at my office, 202-467-6670; and if I am not in please try my cell phone [REDACTED]

Thanks in advance for your help.

Sincerely,

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