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In Re: Case No.: 2015-00856
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This responds to your August 28, 2015, request for assistance to the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). Your request for assistance pertains to your records request [REDACTED] and appeal to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Congress created OGIS to complement existing Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) practice and procedure; we strive to work in conjunction with the existing request and appeal process. The goal is for OGIS to allow, whenever practical, the requester to exhaust his or her remedies within the agency, including the appeal process. OGIS has no investigatory or enforcement power, nor can we compel an agency to release documents. OGIS serves as the Federal FOIA Ombudsman and our jurisdiction is limited to assisting with the FOIA process.

Per our discussions with the IRS, due to the confidentiality of returns and return information, the IRS is unable to discuss your case with OGIS. Therefore, the IRS informed our office that Byron Endo, Disclosure Manager at the IRS, will contact you directly. His phone number is 801-612-4763.

At this time, there is no further assistance OGIS can offer and we will close your case. Thank you for bringing this matter to OGIS.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

JAMES V.M.L. HOLZER
Director

cc: Denise Higley, Tax Law Specialist, Internal Revenue Service

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