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Statutes Found to Qualify Under Exemption 3 of the FOIA

Exemption 3 of the Freedom of Information Act incorporates certain nondisclosure provisions contained in federal statutes other than the FOIA. To assist agencies in properly processing FOIA requests and in preparing their Annual FOIA Reports, the Office of Information Policy has compiled a list of statutes currently in effect that courts have found to qualify as Exemption 3 statutes. This chart does not include statutes that have been found not to qualify under Exemption 3, nor does it include any statute which has not yet been considered by a court as a possible Exemption 3 statute. In addition, on occasion, a statutory provision has been found to qualify under Exemption 3 by one court and found not to qualify by another. Those statutes are marked with asterisks. Generally, to determine which cases are listed, if there is a Supreme Court case that determines a statute qualifies as an Exemption 3 statute, that will be the only case listed. If there is no Supreme Court case, but circuit court cases exist, the circuit court cases will be listed. If there is no circuit court case for a particular circuit, multiple district court cases from within that same circuit may be listed. OIP maintains copies of listed unpublished decisions. If you need a copy, please contact OIP's FOIA Counselor of the Day at (202) 514-FOIA (3642).

	Type of Information	
Statute/Rule	Withheld	Case Citation
5 U.S.C. §§ 7114(b)(4), 7132	Certain labor relations	Dubin v. Dep't of Treasury, 555
(Civil Service Reform Act)	training and guidance	F. Supp. 408, 412 (N.D. Ga.
	materials	1981) (5 U.S.C. § 7114(b)(4)),
		aff'd, 697 F.2d 1093 (11th Cir.
		1983) (unpublished table
		decision); NTEU v. OPM, No.
		79-695, slip op. at 3-4 (D.D.C.
		July 9, 1979) (5 U.S.C.
		§ 7114(b)(4) and 5 U.S.C. §
		7132).
5 U.S.C. § 407 (formerly at 5	Names of employees who	Wash. Post Co. v. Special
U.S.C. app. 3 § 7(b))	provide information or	Inspector Gen. for Afg.
(Inspector General Act)	complaints to the Inspector	Reconstr., 486 F. Supp. 3d 141,
	General	166 (D.D.C. 2020).

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5 U.S.C. § 13109(a)(2)	Confidential financial	Meyerhoff v. EPA, 958 F.2d
(formerly at 5 U.S.C. app. 4 §	disclosure report pertaining	1498, 1500-02 (9th Cir. 1992);
107(a)(2))	to certain government	Boyd v. Exec. Off. for U.S.
(Ethics in Government Act)	employees	Att'ys, 161 F. Supp. 3d 1, 7
		(D.D.C. 2015); <u>Seife v. NIH</u> ,
		874 F. Supp. 2d 248, 254
		(S.D.N.Y. 2012).
7 U.S.C. § 12(a)(1)	"[D]ata and information	Hunt v. Commodity Futures
(Commodity Exchange Act)	that would separately	Trading Comm'n, 484 F. Supp.
	disclose the business	47, 49 (D.D.C. 1979).
	transactions or market	
	positions of any person and	
	trade secrets or names of	
	customers," as well as	
	certain other information	
	concerning, or obtained in,	
	the course of the	
	Commission's	
	investigation under the	
	Commodity Exchange Act"	
*7 U.S.C. § 136i-1(b)	"[D]ata, including the	Doe v. Veneman, 380 F.3d 807,
(Federal Insecticide,	location from which the	817 (5th Cir. 2004).
Fungicide, and Rodenticide	data was derived, that	
Act)	would directly or indirectly	
	reveal the identity of	
	individual producers [of	
7 H C C 0 1502()(1)	certain pesticides]"	D 1 HG D 1 C1
7 U.S.C. § 1502(c)(1)	Certain information	Bush v. U.S. Dep't of Agric.,
(Federal Crop Insurance Act)	furnished by a producer	No. 16-4128, 2017 WL
	under the Federal Crop	3568672, at *7 (N.D. Iowa
711000000000	Insurance Act	Aug. 17, 2017).
7 U.S.C. § 2018(c)	Information obtained	Argus Leader Media v. USDA,
	pursuant to chapter 51 of	740 F.3d 1172, 1175-76 (8th
	title 7 of the United States	Cir. 2014).
	Code, which concerns the	
	handling of information	
	submitted by applicants to	
	the Supplemental Nutrition	
	Assistance Program	

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7 U.S.C. § 2276(a)(2)	"[I]nformation furnished	Strunk v. U.S. Dep't. of
(Food Security Act of 1985)	under a provision of law	Interior, 752 F. Supp. 2d 39, 44-
	referred to in subsection (d)	45 (D.D.C. 2010).
	of this section unless	
	such information has been	
	transformed into a	
	statistical or aggregate	
	form that does not allow	
	the identification of the	
	person who supplied	
	particular information"	
7 U.S.C. § 8791(b)(2)	"[I]nformation provided by	Cent. Platte Nat. Res. Dist. v.
(Food, Conservation, and	an agricultural producer or	U.S. Dep't of Agric., 643 F.3d
Energy Act of 2008)	owner of agricultural land	1142, 1147-48 (8th Cir. 2011);
	concerning the agricultural	Zanoni v. USDA, 605 F. Supp.
	operation, farming or	2d 230, 237-38 (D.D.C. 2009).
	conservation practices, or	
	the land itself, in order to	
	participate in programs of	
	the Department" or	
	"geospatial information	
	maintained by the	
	Secretary about agricultural	
	land or operations"	
8 U.S.C. § 1202(f)	Certain records pertaining	Jimenez v. DHS, 119 F.4th 892,
(Immigration and Nationality	to the issuance or refusal of	909 (11th Cir. 2024); Medina-
Act)	visas to enter the United	Hincapie v. Dep't of State, 700
	States	F.2d 737, 741-42 (D.C. Cir.
		1983); De Laurentiis v. Haig,
		686 F.2d 192, 194 (3d Cir.
		1982); Assadi v. Dep't of State,
		No. 12-1111, 2014 WL
		4704840, at *6-7 (S.D.N.Y.
		Sept. 19, 2014); Badalamenti v.
		U.S. Dep't of State, 899 F.
		Supp. 542, 547 (D. Kan. 1995).

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10 U.S.C. § 130(a)	Certain "technical data with military or space application in the possession of, or under the control of, the Department of Defense"	Newport Aeronautical Sales v. Dep't of the Air Force, 684 F.3d 160, 167-68 (D.C. Cir. 2012); Chenkin v. Dep't of the Army, No. 93-494, 1994 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 20907, at *8 (M.D. Pa. Jan. 14, 1994), aff'd, 61 F.3d 894 (3d Cir. 1995) (unpublished table decision).
10 U.S.C. § 130b	Personally identifiable information pertaining to "any member of the armed forces assigned to an overseas unit, a sensitive unit, or a routinely deployable unit" and "any employee of the Department of Defense or of the Coast Guard whose duty station is with any such unit"	Freedom Watch, Inc. v. NSA, 197 F. Supp. 3d 165, 174 (D.D.C. 2016); Hiken v. DOD, 521 F. Supp. 2d 1047, 1062 (N.D. Cal. 2007); O'Keefe v. DOD, 463 F. Supp. 2d 317, 325 (E.D.N.Y. 2006); Windel v. United States, No. A02-306, 2005 WL 846206, at *2 (D. Alaska Apr. 11, 2005).
10 U.S.C. § 130c	Certain "sensitive information of foreign governments" and certain international organizations	ACLU v. DOD, 389 F. Supp. 2d 547, 553-54 (S.D.N.Y. 2005); Nat'l Inst. of Mil. Just. v. DOD, 404 F. Supp. 2d 325, 335-37 (D.D.C. 2005), aff'd on other grounds, 512 F.3d 677 (D.C. Cir. 2008); Gerstein v. DOD, No. 03-5193, slip op. at 8 (N.D. Ca. Dec. 21, 2004).
10 U.S.C. § 424	Organization or any function of an organization, and certain information pertaining to, employees of the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	Hamdan v. DOJ, 797 F.3d 759, 776 (9th Cir. 2015); Freedom Watch, Inc. v. NSA, 197 F. Supp. 3d 165, 174 (D.D.C. 2016); Wickwire Gavin, P.C. v. Def. Intel. Agency, 330 F. Supp. 2d 592, 602 (E.D. Va. 2004).

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10 U.S.C. § 1102(f)	Medical quality assurance	Goodrich v. Dep't of the Air
(National Defense	records created by or for	Force, 404 F. Supp. 2d 48, 50-
Authorization Act for Fiscal	the Department of Defense	51 (D.D.C. 2005); <u>Dayton</u>
Year 1987)	as part of a medical quality	Newspapers, Inc. v. Dep't of
	assurance program	the Air Force, 107 F. Supp. 2d
		912, 917 (S.D. Ohio 1999).
10 U.S.C. § 3309(b)	Certain contractor	Roman v. NSA, Nos. 09-2947,
(formerly at 10 U.S.C. §	proposals	09-4281, 09-3344, 09-2504, 09-
2305(g))		5633, 2012 WL 569747, at *7
		(E.D.N.Y. Feb. 22, 2012);
		Margolin v. NASA, No. 09-
		00421, 2011 WL 1303221, at
		*6 (D. Nev. Mar. 31, 2011).
13 U.S.C. §§ 8(b), 9(a)	Certain census data	Baldrige v. Shapiro, 455 U.S.
(Census Act)		345, 354-55 (1982).
13 U.S.C. § 301(g)	Certain shippers' export	Afr. Fund v. Mosbacher, No.
(Collection and Publication of	declarations or successor	92-289, 1993 WL 183736, at *5
Foreign Commerce Act)	documents	(S.D.N.Y. May 26, 1993);
		Young Conservative Found.,
		Inc. v. U.S. Dep't of Com., No.
		85-3982, 1987 WL 9244, at *2-
		3 (D.D.C. Mar. 25, 1987).
15 U.S.C. § 18a(h)	Information submitted in	Bloomberg LP v. FTC, No. 22-
	connection with the	3309, 2024 WL 165989, at *3
	premerger notification	(D.D.C. Jan. 16, 2024).
	provisions of the Hart-	
	Scott-Rodino Antitrust	
	Improvements Act of 1976	
15 U.S.C. § 46(f)	"[A]ny trade secret or any	Ctr. for Digit. Democracy v.
(Federal Trade Commission	commercial or financial	FTC, 189 F. Supp. 3d 151, 158-
Act)	information which is	59 (D.D.C. 2016) (15 U.S.C. §
	obtained from any person	46(f)).
	and which is privileged or	
	confidential"	

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15 U.S.C. § 57b-2(f) (Federal	Certain investigative	A. Michael's Piano, Inc. v.
Trade Commission Act)	materials received by the	FTC, 18 F.3d 138, 143-44 (2d
Trade Commission Act)	FTC and "provided	Cir. 1994); Nat'l Educ. Ass'n v.
	pursuant to any compulsory	FTC, No. 79-959-S, 1983 WL
	process under this	1883, at *1 (D. Mass. Sept. 26,
	1 	1983).
	subchapter or which is provided voluntarily in	1963).
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	place of such compulsory	
15 II C C e 1214()	process"	M (D (A 2 CA
15 U.S.C. § 1314(g)	"Any documentary	Motion Picture Ass'n of Am. v.
(Antitrust Civil Process Act)	material, answers to written	DOJ, No. 80-6612, slip op. at 1
	interrogatories, or	(S.D.N.Y. Oct. 6, 1981).
	transcripts of oral	
	testimony" provided	
	pursuant to certain civil	
	investigative demands	
	pertaining to antitrust	
	investigations	
15 U.S.C. §§ 2055(a)(2),	Certain information	Consumer Prod. Safety
2055(b)(1), 2055(b)(5)	reported to, or otherwise	Comm'n v. GTE Sylvania, Inc.,
(Consumer Product Safety	obtained by, the Consumer	447 U.S. 102, 122-23 (1980)
Act)	Product Safety	(15 U.S.C. § 2055(b)(1));
	Commission which either	Mulloy v. Consumer Prods.
	contains or relates to a	Safety Comm'n, No. 85-3720,
	trade secret or is "subject to	1986 WL 17283, at *1 (6th Cir.
	section 552(b)(4) of Title	July 22, 1986) (per curiam)
	5"	(unpublished disposition) (15
		U.S.C. § 2055(a)(2) and 15
		U.S.C. § 2055(b)(5)).

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15 U.S.C. § 3710a(c) (Federal Technology Transfer Act)	"[T]rade secrets or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential, under the meaning of section 552(b)(4) of Title 5, which is obtained in the conduct of research or as a result of activities under this chapter," which pertains to cooperative research and development agreements for the purpose of technological and industrial innovation	Pub. Citizen Health Rsch. Grp. v. NIH, 209 F. Supp. 2d 37, 43, 51 (D.D.C. 2002); DeLorme Pub. Co., Inc. v. NOAA, 917 F. Supp. 867, 871-72 (D. Me. 1996).
15 U.S.C. § 6801 (Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act)	Nonpublic personal information of customers of financial institutions	Hodes v. HUD, 532 F. Supp. 2d 108, 117 (D.D.C. 2008).
15 U.S.C. § 7306(d) (National Construction Safety Team Act)	"[A]ny information receive[d] in the course of an investigation under this chapter if the Director finds that the disclosure of that information might jeopardize public safety"	Quick v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 775 F. Supp. 2d 174, 180-81 (D.D.C. 2011).
16 U.S.C. § 470hh (Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979)	Information pertaining to the nature and location of certain archaeological resources	Hornbostel v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 29-30 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004); Starkey v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, 238 F. Supp. 2d 1188, 1192-94 (S.D. Cal. 2002).
16 U.S.C. § 4304 (Federal Cave Resources Protection Act)	"Information concerning the specific location of any significant cave [that] create[s] a substantial risk of harm, theft, or destruction of such cave"	Black Hills Clean Water All. v. USFS, No. 20-5034, 2022 WL 2340440, at *9 (D.S.D. June 29, 2022).

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Statute/Rule 18 U.S.C. § 208(d)(1)	Withheld Providing that "a copy of any determination granting an exemption under subsection (b)(1) or (b)(3) [from application of penalties for acts affecting personal financial interests determined to constitute bribery, graft, or conflicts of interest] shall be made available to the public," but exempting from this disclosure requirement "any information contained in the determination that would be exempt from disclosure under section 552 of title 5" Likeness of any badge, identification card, or other insignia, of the design	Case Citation Seife v. NIH, 874 F. Supp. 2d 248, 256 (S.D.N.Y. 2012). Jones v. IRS, No. 06-322, 2008 WL 1901208, at *3-4 (W.D. Mich. Apr. 25, 2008).
18 U.S.C. § 798	prescribed by the head of any department or agency of the United States for use by any officer or employee thereof, or any colorable imitation thereof Certain classified	Larson v. Dep't of State, 565
(Espionage Act)	information pertaining to the communication intelligence and cryptographic devices of the United States or any foreign government	F.3d 857, 868-69 (D.C. Cir. 2009); N.Y. Times Co. v. DOJ, No. 14-03776, 2016 WL 5946711, at *6 (S.D.N.Y. Aug. 18, 2016); Adejumobi v. NSA, No. 07-1237, 2007 WL 4247878, at *3 (M.D. Fla. Dec. 3, 2007), aff'd per curiam, 287 F. App'x 770 (11th Cir. 2008); Winter v. NSA, 569 F. Supp. 545, 546-48 (S.D. Cal. 1983).

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18 U.S.C. §§ 2510, et seq.	Wiretap requests and the	Payne v. DOJ, No. 96-30840,
(Title III of the Omnibus	contents of any wire, oral,	1997 WL 450139, at *3 (5th
Crime Control and Safe	or electronic	Cir. July 11, 1997); <u>Lam Lek</u>
Streets Act)	communication obtained	Chong v. DEA, 929 F.2d 729,
	through wiretaps	732-33 (D.C. Cir. 1991).
18 U.S.C. § 3123(d)	Certain court "order[s]	<u>Labow v. DOJ</u> , 831 F.3d 523,
(Pen Register Act)	authorizing or approving	527-28 (D.C. Cir. 2016); <u>ACLU</u>
	the installation and use of a	<u>v. DOJ</u> , 2014 WL 4954121, at
	pen register or a trap and	*11 (N.D. Cal. Sept. 30, 2014);
	trace device"; information	Manna v. DOJ, 815 F. Supp.
	pertaining to "the existence	798, 812 (D.N.J. 1993), aff'd on
	of the pen register or trap	other grounds, 51 F.3d 1158 (3d
	and trace device or the	Cir. 1995).
	existence of the	
	investigation"	
18 U.S.C. § 3509(d)	Certain records containing	Corley v. DOJ, 998 F.3d 981,
(Federal Victims' Protection	identifying information	982-85 (D.C. Cir. 2021).
and Rights Act)	pertaining to children	
	involved in criminal	
	proceedings	
18 U.S.C. § 3521(b)(1)(G)	"[T]he identity or location	Wilson v. FBI, No 22-3062,
(Witness Security Reform Act	of the person relocated or	2025 WL 522019, at *7
of 1984)	protected, or any other	(D.D.C. Feb. 18, 2025);
	matter concerning the	Bonadonna v. DOJ, 791 F.
	person or the program after	Supp. 2d 269, 270 (D. Mass.
	weighing [various	2010), aff'd, No. 10-1595, 2011
	factors]," subject to certain	WL 4770189 (1st Cir. Jan. 7,
	exceptions	2011).
18 U.S.C. § 4208(c)	Certain records pertaining	DOJ v. Julian, 486 U.S. 1, 9
(Parole Commission and	to parole determination	(1988).
Reorganization Act)	proceedings	
18 U.S.C. § 5038(a)	Records of juvenile	<u>Lavado v. DEA</u> , No. 90-5262,
	delinquency proceedings	1991 WL 119586, at *1 (D.C.
		Cir. June 28, 1991).

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19 U.S.C. § 1677f	Certain "information	Mudge Rose Guthrie Alexander
(Tariff Act)	submitted to the	& Ferdon v. U.S. Int'l Trade
	administering authority or	Comm'n, 846 F.2d 1527, 1530-
	the [United States	31 (D.C. Cir. 1988).
	International Trade]	
	Commission which is	
	designated as proprietary	
	by the person submitting	
	the information"	
19 U.S.C. § 2155(g)	Certain information in	Intell. Prop. Watch v. U.S.
(Trade Act)	connection with trade	<u>Trade Representative</u> , 205 F.
	negotiations that is	Supp. 3d 334, 345-46 (S.D.N.Y.
	"submitted in confidence"	2016).
19 U.S.C. §§ 2605(h), 2605(i)	Certain records pertaining	Ancient Coin Collectors Guild
(Convention on Cultural	to Cultural Property	v. U.S. Dep't of State, 641 F.3d
Property Implementation Act)	Advisory Committee	504, 511 (D.C. Cir. 2011).
	proceedings where	
	"it is determined by the	
	President or his designee	
	that the disclosure of	
	matters involved in the	
	Committee's proceedings	
	would compromise the	
	Government's negotiating	
	objectives or [certain]	
	bargaining positions";	
	certain "information	
	(including trade secrets and	
	commercial or financial	
	information which is	
	privileged or confidential)	
	submitted in confidence by	
	the private sector to	
	officers or employees of	
	the United States or to the	
	[Cultural Property	
	Advisory] Committee"	

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20 U.S.C. § 1099c-1 (Higher Education Act)	Certain program review reports and institutional responses until the Department of Education issues a final program review determination.	Bagwell v. U.S. Dep't of Educ., 183 F. Supp. 3d 109, 126-27 (D.D.C. 2016).
21 U.S.C. § 331(j) (Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act)	Certain information "concerning any method or process which as a trade secret is entitled to protection"	Anderson v. HHS, 907 F.2d 936, 950-51 (10th Cir. 1990).
21 U.S.C. § 387f(c) (Tobacco, Regulations, Federal Retirement Reform Act)	Certain information reported to or obtained by the Secretary which is exempt from discourse under Exemption 4 of the FOIA	Rozema v. HHS, 167 F. Supp. 3d 324, 341 (N.D.N.Y 2016).
22 U.S.C. §§ 1461, 1461-1a (Smith-Mundt Act)	Certain program information prepared by the United States Information Agency	Essential Info., Inc. v. USIA, 134 F.3d 1165, 1168 (D.C. Cir. 1998).
22 U.S.C. § 2778(e) (Arms Export Control Act)	Certain information pertaining to export license applications	Council for a Livable World v. U.S. Dep't of State, 1998 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 23642, at *11 (D.D.C. Jan. 21, 1998), amended (D.D.C. Nov. 23, 1998).
22 U.S.C. § 3104(c) (International Investment Survey Act)	Records and reports provided pursuant to subsection (b)(2) of the section of the statute which pertains to certain "surveys and studies" regarding international investment and trade	Young Conservative Found., Inc. v. U.S. Dep't of Com., No. 85-3982, 1987 WL 9244, at *4 (D.D.C. Mar. 25, 1987).
25 U.S.C. § 1675(g) (Indian Health Care Improvement Act)	Medical quality assurance records	N.Y. Times Co. v. HHS, 15 F.4th 216, 219 & n.7 (2d Cir. 2021) (per curiam).

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26 U.S.C. §§ 6103, 6105 (Internal Revenue Code)	Certain tax return information, to include Taxpayer Identification Numbers of third parties, and certain tax convention information	Church of Scientology v. IRS, 484 U.S. 9, 15 (1987) (26 U.S.C. § 6103); Elec. Priv. Info. Ctr. v. IRS, 910 F.3d 1232, 1237 (D.C. Cir. 2018); Leonard v. U.S. Dep't of Treasury, 590 F. App'x. 141, 143-44 (3d Cir. 2014) (per curiam); Pac. Fisheries, Inc. v. IRS, 395 F. App'x. 438, 440 (9th Cir. 2010) (unpublished disposition) (26 U.S.C. §§ 6103, 6105); Nosal v. IRS, 523 F. Supp. 3d 72, 79 (D.D.C. 2021).
28 U.S.C. § 652(d)	"[C]onfidential dispute	<u>Yelder v. DOD</u> , 577 F. Supp.
(Alternative Dispute	resolution	2d 342, 346-47 (D.D.C. 2008).
Resolution Act of 1998)	communications"	
31 U.S.C. § 5319 (Bank Secrecy Act)	Reports pertaining to monetary instruments transactions filed under subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31 and records of those reports	Yunes v. DOJ, 263 F. Supp. 3d 82, 87 (D.D.C. 2017); Council on AmIslamic Rels., Cal. v. FBI, 749 F. Supp. 2d 1104, 1117 (S.D. Cal. 2010); Berger v. IRS, 487 F. Supp. 2d 482, 496-97 (D.N.J. 2007), affd on other grounds, 288 F. App'x 829 (3d Cir. 2008).
34 U.S.C. § 10231(a)	"Any research or statistical information furnished under this title by any person and identifiable to any specific private person for any purpose other than the purpose for which it was obtained in accordance with this title"	Appeal, Inc. v. OJP, No. 22-02111, 2024 WL 4868282, at *4 (C.D. Cal. Oct. 15, 2024).
34 U.S.C § 12592 (formerly at 42 U.S.C. § 14132)	Certain "stored DNA samples and DNA analyses"	Moore v. Nat'l DNA Index Sys., 662 F. Supp. 2d 136, 140 (D.D.C. 2009).

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35 U.S.C. § 122 (Patent Act)	Applications for patents; certain information pertaining to applications	<u>Irons & Sears v. Dann</u> , 606 F.2d 1215, 1219-21 (D.C. Cir. 1979).
38 U.S.C. § 5701	for patents "All files, records, reports, and other papers and documents pertaining to any claim under any of the laws administered by the Secretary and the names and addresses of present or former members of the	Ashton v. VA, No. 99-6018, 1999 WL 753331, at *1 (2d Cir. Sept. 3, 1999) (unpublished disposition).
	Armed Forces, and their dependents, in the possession of [VA]"	
38 U.S.C. § 5705	Records created by VA as part of its medical quality-assurance program; certain other information pertaining to VA's medical quality-assurance program	Schulte & Sun-Sentinel Co. v. VA, No. 86-6251, slip op. at 3-4, 12 (S.D. Fla. Feb. 2, 1996).
38 U.S.C. § 7332	Records of patients being treated for certain conditions	Palmer v. Derwinski, No. 91-197, slip op. at 3-4 (E.D. Ky. June 10, 1992).
39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(2) (Postal Reorganization Act)	Commercial information which would not be disclosed under good business practice	Bloomberg L.P. v. USPS, 118 F.4th 307, 316 (2d Cir. 2024); Wickwire Gavin, P.C. v. USPS, 356 F.3d 588, 589, 597 (4th Cir. 2004); Am. Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO v. USPS, 742 F. Supp. 2d 76, 81-83 (D.D.C. 2010); Reid v. USPS, No. 05-294, 2006 WL 1876682, at *5-9 (S.D. Ill. July 5, 2006); Robinett v. USPS, No. 02-1094, 2002 WL 1728582, at *5 (E.D. La. July 24, 2002).

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39 U.S.C. § 3016(d) (Deceptive Mail Prevention and Enforcement Act) 41 U.S.C. § 2102 (amending 41 U.S.C. § 423(a)(1)) (Procurement Integrity Act)	Documentary material provided pursuant to any subpoena issued under Deceptive Mail Prevention Enforcement Act Contractor bid or proposal information; source selection information	Gov't Accountability Project v. FDA, 206 F. Supp. 3d 420, 433 (D.D.C. 2016) (dictum). Legal & Safety Emp. Rsch., Inc. v. U.S. Dep't of the Army, No. Civ. S001748, 2001 WL 34098652, at *3-4 (E.D. Cal. May 4, 2001) (dictum).
41 U.S.C. § 4702 (formerly at 41 U.S.C. § 253b(m)(1))	Contractor proposals that are in the possession or control of an executive agency and that have not been set forth or incorporated by reference into contracts	Lenahan v. HHS, No. 23- 06041, 2025 WL 1159878, at *3 (N.D. Cal. Apr. 21, 2025); Sinkfield v. HUD, No. 10-885, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 35233, at *13-15 (S.D. Ohio Mar. 15, 2012); Margolin v. NASA, No. 09- 00421, 2011 WL 1303221, at *6 (D. Nev. Mar. 31, 2011); Hornbostel v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, 305 F. Supp. 2d 21, 30 (D.D.C. 2003), summary affirmance granted, No. 03- 5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004).
42 U.S.C. § 262a(h)(1) (Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act)	Certain categories of information relating to biological agents and toxins	Civ. Beat L. Ctr. for the Pub. Int. v. CDC, 929 F.3d 1079, 1084-85 (9th Cir. 2019).
42 U.S.C. § 300aa- 12(d)(4)(A) (National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986)	"Except as provided in subparagraph (B), information submitted to a special master or the court in a proceeding on a petition [for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program] without the express written consent of the person who submitted the information"	Long v. DOJ, 778 F. Supp. 2d 222, 234 (N.D.N.Y. 2011).

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42 U.S.C. § 405(r) (Social Security Act)	Death certificates and records pertaining to deaths provided to the Commissioner of Social Security under this subsection	Int'l Diatomite Producers Ass'n v. SSA, No. 92-1634, 1993 WL 137286, at *3 (N.D. Cal. Apr. 28, 1993), appeal dismissed per stipulation, No. 93-16204 (9th Cir. Oct. 27, 1993).
42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e-5(b), 2000e-8(e) (Civil Rights Act of 1964)	Information pertaining to charges of unlawful employment practices; information obtained by the EEOC in investigating charges of unlawful employment practices	Frito-Lay v. EEOC, 964 F. Supp. 236, 240-43 (W.D. Ky. 1997); Am. Centennial Ins. Co. v. EEOC, 722 F. Supp. 180, 184 (D.N.J. 1989).
42 U.S.C. §§ 2162, 2167, 2168(a)(1) (Atomic Energy Act)	"Restricted Data" pertaining to atomic weapons and special nuclear material and certain safeguards information for nuclear material	Meeropol v. Meese, 790 F.2d 942 (D.C. Cir. 1986).
42 U.S.C. §§ 2286d(b), 2286d(h)(3) (Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Act)	Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board recommendations	Nat. Res. Def. Council, Inc. v. Def. Nuclear Facilities Safety Bd., 969 F.2d 1248, 1249, 1251 (D.C. Cir. 1992).
42 U.S.C. § 3610(d) (Fair Housing Act)	Records pertaining to conciliation of disputes regarding allegations of unfair housing practices; information derived from housing discrimination investigations and any final investigative reports pertaining to such investigations	West v. Jackson, 448 F. Supp. 2d 207, 212-13 (D.D.C. 2006), summary affirmance granted & motion to remand denied, No. 06-5281, 2007 WL 1723362 (D.C. Cir. Mar. 6, 2007).
45 U.S.C. § 362(d) (Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act)	Information obtained by the Railroad Retirement Board that reveals, in any manner, an employee's identity	Ass'n of Retired R.R. Workers v. U.S. R.R. Ret. Bd., 830 F.2d 331, 334 (D.C. Cir. 1987); Nat'1 Ass'n of Retired & Veteran Ry. Emp.'s v. R.R. Ret. Bd., 1991 U.S. Dist, LEXIS 21923, at *7 (N.D. Ohio Feb. 20, 1991).

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47 U.S.C. § 605 (Communications Act of 1934)	Certain information pertaining to interstate or foreign communication by wire or radio	Reston v. FCC, 492 F. Supp. 697, 699-700 (D.D.C. 1980).
49 U.S.C. § 114(r) (formerly at 49 U.S.C. § 114(s)) (Federal Aviation Act)	Information obtained or developed in carrying out security under the authority of the Aviation and Transportation Security Act or under chapter 449 of this title	Longas-Palacio v. USCIS, No. 21-2661, 2023 WL 2277128 (S.D. Tex. Feb. 28, 2023); Magassa v. TSA, No. 19-01953, 2022 WL 971207, at *5 (D.D.C Mar. 31, 2022); Skurow v. DHS, 892 F. Supp. 2d 319, 329-30 (D.D.C. 2012); Gordon v. FBI, 390 F. Supp. 2d 897, 900 (N.D. Cal. 2004).
49 U.S.C. § 1114(c) (Transportation Safety Act of 1974)	Certain "cockpit voice or video recorder recording[s] or transcript[s] of communications by and between flight crew members and ground stations pertaining to [] incident[s] investigated by the [National Transportation Safety] Board"	McGilvra v. NTSB, 840 F. Supp. 100, 102 (D. Colo. 1993).
50 U.S.C. § 1702(a)(1)	Authorizes the President to "regulate prevent or prohibit importation or exportation of any property in which any foreign country or a national thereof has any interest by any person, or with respect to any property, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States"	Wis. Project on Nuclear Arms Control v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 317 F.3d 275, 284 (D.C. Cir. 2003).
50 U.S.C. § 3024(i)(1) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 403- 1(i)(1)) (National Security Act of 1947)	Intelligence sources and methods	<u>CIA v. Sims</u> , 471 U.S. 159, 167 (1985).

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50 U.S.C. § 3141(a) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 431) (Central Intelligence Agency Information Act of 1984) 50 U.S.C. § 3143 (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 432a) 50 U.S.C. § 3507 (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 403g) (Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949)	"[O]perational files of the Central Intelligence Agency" Operational files of the National Reconnaissance Office Intelligence sources and methods; certain information pertaining to Agency functions or employees, specifically: "the organization or functions of the Agency, or	CIA v. Sims, 471 U.S. 159, 167, 174 n.19 (1985) (dictum); Wolf v. CIA, 569 F. Supp. 2d 1, 8 (D.D.C. 2008). Aftergood v. Nat'l Reconnaissance Off., 441 F. Supp. 2d 37, 46 (D.D.C. 2006). Assassination Archives & Rsch. Ctr. v. CIA, No. 18-5280, 2019 WL 691517 (D.C. Cir. Feb. 15, 2019) (per curiam); ACLU v. DOJ, 681 F.3d 61, 72-75 (2d Cir. 2012); Berman v. CIA, 501 F.3d 1136, 1137-38, 1140 (9th
	of the names, official titles, salaries, or numbers of personnel employed by the Agency"	Cir. 2007); Makky v. Chertoff, 489 F. Supp. 2d 421, 442 (D.N.J. 2007), aff'd on other grounds, 541 F. 3d 205 (3d Cir. 2008).
50 U.S.C. § 3605 (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 402 note) (National Security Agency Act of 1959)	Information pertaining to the functions or organization of NSA; certain information pertaining to NSA employees	ACLU v. DOJ, 681 F.3d 61, 72-75 (2d Cir. 2012); Elec. Priv. Info. Ctr. v. NSA, 678 F.3d 926, 931 (D.C. Cir. 2012); Houghton v. NSA, 378 F. App'x 235, 238-39 (3d Cir. 2010) (per curiam); Lahr v. NTSB, 569 F.3d 964, 985 (9th Cir. 2009).
50 U.S.C. § 4565(c)(1) (Defense Production Act)	Information or documentary material filed with the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States	Minor v. U.S. Dep't of the Treasury, No. 20-02836, slip op. at 5 (D.S.C. Aug. 5, 2021) (unpublished disposition).

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50 U.S.C. § 4820(h)(1) (formerly at 50 U.S.C. § 4614(c)(1)) (Export Control Reform Act)	Information pertaining to license applications under the Export Administration Act	Wis. Project on Nuclear Arms Control v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 317 F.3d 275, 284 (D.C. Cir. 2003); Times Publ'g Co. v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 236 F.3d 1286, 1289-90 (11th Cir. 2001); Lessner v. U.S. Dep't of Com., 827 F.2d 1333, 1336-37 (9th Cir. 1987).
52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(12)(A) (formerly at 2 U.S.C. § 437(a)(12)(A)) (Federal Election Campaign Act)	Any notification or investigation made under this section of the Federal Election Campaign Act pertaining to federal campaign funds	Gov't Accountability Project v. FDA, 206 F. Supp. 3d 420, 433 (D.D.C. 2016).
54 U.S.C. § 100707 (formerly at 16 U.S.C. § 5937) (National Parks Omnibus Management Act)	Information pertaining to: "endangered, threatened, rare, or commercially valuable" National Park System resources; "mineral or paleontological objects within units of the National Park System"; or "objects of cultural patrimony within units of the National Park System"	Hornbostel v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, No. 03-5257, 2004 WL 1900562 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 25, 2004); Sw. Ctr. for Biological Diversity v. USDA, 314 F.3d 1060, 1062 (9th Cir. 2002); Pease v. U.S. Dep't of Interior, No. 99-113, slip op. at 2, 4 (D. Vt. Sept. 17, 1999).
Pub. L. No. 108-447, 118 Stat. 2809, 2859-60 (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005) Pub. L. No. 110-161, 121 Stat. 1844, 1903-04 (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008) Pub. L. No. 112-55, 125 Stat. 552, 609-10 (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012)	Certain firearms database information	City of Chi. v. U.S. Dep't of the Treasury, 423 F.3d 777, 781-82 (7th Cir. 2005); P.W. Arms, Inc. v. United States, No. 15-1990-JCC, 2017 WL 319250, at *4 (W.D. Wash. Jan. 23, 2017); Williams v. ATF, No. PWG-15-1969, 2017 WL 3978580, at *5-6 (D. Md. Sept. 8, 2017); Abdeljabbar v. ATF, 74 F. Supp. 3d 158, 173 (D.D.C. 2014).

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Pub. L. No. 111-83, 123 Stat. 2142 (Protected National Security Documents Act, 2009)	Certain photographs related to the treatment of individuals engaged, captured, or detained after September 11, 2001	ACLU v. DOD, 901 F.3d 125, 133 (2d Cir. 2018).
Fed. R. Crim. P. 6(e), enacted by Act of July 30, 1977, Pub. L. No. 95-78, § 2, 91 Stat. 319	Certain records that would reveal some secret aspect pertaining to grand jury proceedings	Sorin v. DOJ, No. 18-99, 2018 WL 6431027 (2d Cir. Dec. 6, 2018) (per curium); Sussman v. USMS, 494 F.3d 1106, 1113 (D.C. Cir. 2007); Widi v. McNeil, No. 12-00188, 2016 WL 4394724, at *23 (D. Me. Aug 16, 2016); Durham v. U.S. Att'y Gen., No. 06-843, 2008 WL 620744, at *2 (E.D. Tex. Mar. 3, 2008); Cozen O'Connor v. U.S. Dep't of Treasury, 570 F. Supp. 2d 749, 776 (E.D. Pa. 2008).
Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Republic of Korea on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, S. KorU.S., Nov. 23, 1993, S. TREATY DOC. No. 104-1 (1995)	Evidence obtained by way of a treaty with a confidentiality clause	Dongkuk Int'l, Inc. v. U.S. Dep't of Just., 204 F. Supp. 3d 18, 28 (D.D.C. 2016).
Treaty Between the United States of America and the Swiss Confederation on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, Switz U.S., May 25, 1973, 27 U.S.T. 2019	Evidence obtained by way of a treaty with a confidentiality clause	Grynberg v. DOJ, No. 18-370, 2019 WL 138426 (2d Cir. Jan. 9, 2019).

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Instrument Between the Kingdom of Denmark and the United States of America, as contemplated by Article 3(3) of the Agreement on Mutual Legal Assistance Between the United States of America and the European Union, June 25, 2003, DenU.S., June 23, 2005, S. TREATY DOC. NO. 109-13 (2006)	Evidence obtained by way of a treaty with a confidentiality clause	Biear v. DOJ, No. 14-1488, 2023 WL 4867431, at *6-7 (M.D. Pa. July 31, 2023).
Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, AustlU.S., Apr. 30, 1997, S. TREATY DOC. NO. 105-27 (1997)	Evidence obtained by way of a treaty with a confidentiality clause	Biear v. DOJ, No. 14-1488, 2023 WL 4867431, at *6-7 (M.D. Pa. July 31, 2023).