

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

MARITIME LEGAL AID & ADVOCACY, LTD,

Plaintiff,

v.

U.S. COAST GUARD,

Defendant.

No. 22 Civ. 5501 (DLC)

**STIPULATION AND  
ORDER OF DISMISSAL**

WHEREAS on or about June 28, 2022, plaintiff Maritime Legal Aid & Advocacy, Ltd. (“Maritime Legal Aid”) filed a complaint in this action in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (“FOIA”), seeking the release of certain records by defendant the United States Coast Guard (the “Coast Guard”) in connection with three FOIA requests dated June 30, 2020, as amended on July 29, 2020, March 21, 2021; and May 13, 2022, regarding sexual misconduct by Coast Guard credentialed merchant mariners and the Coast Guard’s enforcement of 46 U.S.C. § 10104 (the “FOIA Requests”);

WHEREAS the Coast Guard responded to the FOIA Requests by producing responsive, non-exempt records; and

WHEREAS Maritime Legal Aid has reviewed the produced records and has determined that it will not be challenging the adequacy of the search or any redactions or withholdings therein;

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the parties, as follows:

1. The Coast Guard's productions resolve any and all claims that Maritime Legal Aid now has or may hereinafter acquire against the Coast Guard or the United States of America, or any department, agency, officer, or employee of the Coast Guard and/or the United States of America, related to or arising out of the FOIA Requests.

2. This action is hereby dismissed with prejudice pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(ii), with each party to bear its own fees and costs.

3. The parties understand and agree that this Stipulation and Order contains the entire agreement between them, and that no statements, representations, promises, agreements, or negotiations, oral or otherwise, between the parties or their counsel that are not included herein shall be of any force or effect.

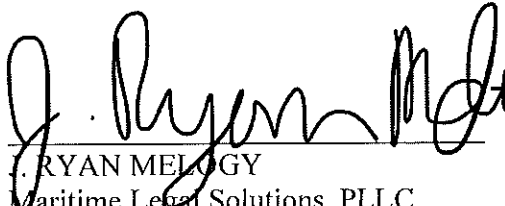
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SO ORDERED:

  
HONORABLE/DENISE L. COTE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

9/8/23