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Sent via email to: john@greenewald.com

Mr. John Greenewald
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Dear Mr. Greenewald:

Your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated September 20, 2023 was received in this office on January 2, 2026, and assigned case number DON-2023-004852.

You requested: *"I respectfully request a copy of records (which includes videos/photos), electronic or otherwise, of the following: ALL FOUR VOLUMES of the Advanced Naval Vehicles Concepts Evaluation (ANVCE) Project, written December 1979."*

In order to locate potentially responsive records, this office contacted Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (DCNO) for Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities (OPNAV N9) to conduct a search for responsive files. OPNAV N9 conducted a search of their electronic files and advised this office that after the completion of the search, their office located Volumes 1, 2, 3, and the Appendix for Volume 4, totaling 939 pages, which are being released to you now while the remainder (Volume 3 Appendix and Volume 4) continue to be digitized for review and release.

Please be advised after the coordination and review of responsive documents, it was determined that these documents are exempt in part FOIA 5 U.S.C. § 552.

- 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b) (1): information properly and currently classified in the interest of national defense or foreign policy, as specifically authorized under the criteria established by Executive order and implemented by regulations, as specifically authorized under the criteria established by Executive order 13526, Section 1.4 (a) which protects the operations and military plans, weapons systems, and operations set forth by the command.
- 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b) (6): Information that, if disclosed, would invade another individual's personal privacy.

Under 32 CFR §701.12(a), you have the right to an appeal. Appeals can be filed via email or through the U.S. mail. In both cases, send the appellate authority the following items:

1. An email/letter requesting an appeal with reasons why it should be granted.
2. A copy of your initial request.
3. A copy of this letter.

An appeal may be submitted through our online portal and **must be received within 90 calendar days** from the date of this letter. Use the public portal of Casepoint (the Department of the Navy's FOIA processing system). Go to <https://foiportal.casepointgov.com/dltnavy> for the Navy or <https://foiportal.casepointgov.com/usmc> for the Marine Corps. Click "Sign In / Sign Up" (in the top-right corner) and enter the information in the boxes that appear to create an account. Once that is done, you will be able to file an appeal for any request created through the Casepoint portal by clicking the Submit Appeal button next to the request you wish to appeal. To appeal a request that was not submitted through the Casepoint portal, create a Casepoint portal account, then use the Submit Request button on the Casepoint portal homepage to create a FOIA request. In the Request Description field for that FOIA request, indicate that this is an appeal and make reference to the tracking number you have received for the request you wish to appeal.

An appeal sent by email must be received within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. In the subject line of the email, type "FOIA Appeal" and your case number DON-2023-004852. Send the appeal to Navy-OJAG-C14-FOIA-PA-ADMINAPPEALS@us.navy.mil.

An appeal sent by mail must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Make sure to mark the envelope "FOIA Appeal". For issues related to the military, mail your appeal to The Judge Advocate General (Code 14). For all non-military related matters, mail your appeal to the Office of General Counsel (OGC). The appropriate addresses have been provided below.

The Judge Advocate General (Code 14)
1322 Patterson Avenue SE, Suite 3000
Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

General Counsel of the Navy
1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532
Washington, DC 20350-1000

In this instance, fees are not applicable.

You have the right to seek dispute resolution services with this determination. You may contact the Navy FOIA Public Liaison Mr. Chris Julka via email Christopher.a.julka.civ@us.navy.mil or by phone (703) 697-0031. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) through their website ogis.archives.gov, via email ogis@nara.gov, or by phone (202) 741-5770.

Please direct questions to the FOIA Service Center regarding the actions taken to process your request by phone (202) 685-0412 or via email don-foia-pa@us.navy.mil.

Sincerely,

Carl A. Laurie

for

R. STRONG
Director
NAVY FOIA/PA Program Office

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