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> Overview of filing 'Hutterite's USDA farm subsidies complaint' with USDA in Washington, DC

I filed my complaint, as my original complaint, with these individuals at USDA in Washington, DC, in 2008:

- 1) Ed Schafer - Secretary of Agriculture
My complaint is available for Ed Schafer to review.
- 2) Chuck Conner - Deputy Secretary of Agriculture
My complaint is available for Chuck Conner to review.
- 3) Glen Keppy - FSA/Associate Administrator for Programs
Glen Keppy is acting as a coordinator for my complaint.
- 4) John Johnson - FSA/Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs
John Johnson is acting as a investigator for my complaint.
- 5) Terry Jackson - OGC/Deputy Assistant General Counsel
Terry Jackson is acting as a legal counsel for my complaint.

I filed a updated version of my complaint with this individual at USDA in Washington, DC, in 2008:

- 1) Teresa Lasseter - FSA/Administrator
I requested a reconsideration of 2 statements I received from John Johnson concerning his resolution of my complaint.
I requested a statement concerning the resolution of my complaint.

I filed a updated version of my complaint with these individuals at USDA in Washington, DC, in 2009:

- 1) Tom Vilsack - Secretary of Agriculture (2009)
My complaint is available for Tom Vilsack to review.
- 2) Ed Schafer - Secretary of Agriculture (2008)
My complaint is available for Ed Schafer to review.
- 3) Chuck Conner - Deputy Secretary of Agriculture
My complaint is available for Chuck Conner to review.

Note:

FSA stands for Farm Service Agency.

OGC stands for Office of the General Counsel.

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6/23/08

Original complaint mailed to USDA in Washington, DC.

8/4/08

IRS tax filing information for King Colony discovered and mailed to USDA in Washington, DC.

8/18/08

List of 85 nonprofit organizations that include the name Hutterian Brethren, with IRS tax filing information, discovered and mailed to USDA in Washington, DC.

9/5/08

John Johnson, FSA/Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, issues his first statement concerning his resolution of my complaint. John Johnson's statement fails to consider the new evidence I sent to him. John Johnson considers my case closed.

9/22/08

I file a objection with USDA concerning John Johnson's closure of my case.

10/6/08

I file a updated version of my complaint with Teresa Lasseter, FSA/Administrator.

I file a objection concerning John Johnson's closure of my case with Teresa Lasseter.

I file a request for a reconsideration of John Johnson's first statement dated 9/5/08 with Teresa Lasseter.

Mail delivered: 10/14/08

10/14/08

John Johnson, FSA/Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, issues his second statement concerning his resolution of my complaint with the new evidence I sent to him.

11/17/08

I file a request for a reconsideration of John Johnson's second statement dated 10/14/08 with Teresa Lasseter.

I file a request for a statement concerning the resolution of my complaint with Teresa Lasseter.

Mail delivered: 11/24/08

12/16/08

US President-elect Barack Obama selects former Iowa governor Tom Vilsack for the Cabinet position of Secretary of Agriculture.

1/16/09

I find a FSA/The Fence Post article dated 1/16/09 on the Internet on 8/29/09. According to the article these individuals are leaving FSA the week of 1/16/09:

- 1) Teresa Lasseter, FSA/Administrator
- 2) Glen Keppy, FSA/Associate Administrator for Programs
- 3) John Johnson, FSA/Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs

The article is entitled 'Agency Leaders Prepare to Depart, Administrator Lasseter Bids Final Farewell'. The article's webpage URL is:

[http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/fp_0109_article_02.html]

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2/17/09

I mail a updated version of my complaint to Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack at USDA in Washington, DC.

Mail delivered: 3/2/09

3/4/09

I receive a e-mail from Candace Thompson, FSA/Acting Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, dated 3/3/09 and sent on 3/4/09, on behalf of Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, and their resolution of my complaint is they consider my case closed based on a previous response by John Johnson, FSA/Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, dated 9/5/08, as his first statement in a series of two statements concerning his resolution of my complaint.

3/31/09

I file my complaint with Nancy Pelosi's San Francisco District Office to be forwarded to her Washington, DC Office for delivery to the House Committee on Agriculture in Washington, DC.

5/13/09

I send a e-mail to Dennis Taitano, FSA/Administrator, to inquire about what has happened to my complaint.

7/7/09

I mail a letter of inquiry to Phyllis Fong, OIG/Inspector General. I request information concerning the reason why Teresa Lasseter, FSA/Administrator, has not issued a statement concerning her resolution of my complaint.

Mail delivered: 7/13/09

7/21/09

Three months have passed and Nancy Pelosi's Washington, DC Office has not issued a letter of confirmation for reception of my complaint for the House Committee on Agriculture. So, I mail my complaint directly to the House Committee on Agriculture in Washington, DC.

Mail delivered: 7/27/09

I receive a e-mail from Nancy Pelosi, dated 10/19/09 and sent on 10/20/09, informing me the House Committee on Agriculture received my letter.

I mail a complaint concerning allegations about Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack's misconduct in office to the House Committee on Rules in Washington, DC.

Mail delivered: 7/27/09

9/7/09

I send a e-mail to Jonathan Coppess, FSA/Administrator, to inquire about what has happened to my complaint.

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12/3/09

I send a letter to John Stahl, Veteran Colony, AB, Canada. He represents these 3 positions:

- 1) Minister: Veteran Colony
- 2) Elder: Dariusleut
- 3) President: Hutterian Brethren Church

Mail delivered: 12/31/09

I receive a phone call from John Stahl on 1/8/10. He informs me he received my letter.

I ask him about the official Hutterite policy concerning joining a Hutterite colony.

He says it is possible to join a Hutterite colony under 2 conditions:

- 1) A person must accept the teachings of the Hutterian Brethren Church.
- 2) A person must agree to a 1-year trial period at a Hutterite colony to determine if the arrangement will work.

I request documentation of the official Hutterite policy concerning joining a Hutterite colony but he does not send any documentation to me.

12/16/09

I receive a e-mail from USDA OIG Hotline informing me my certified mail sent to Inspector General Phyllis Fong has not been received so a investigation cannot proceed.

2/1/10

I mail a complaint concerning statements made by Walter Hofer, King Colony, Lewistown, MT, in a letter dated 3/10/08, to the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs in Washington, DC.

Mail delivered: 2/5/10

I believe the statements made by Walter Hofer represent a closed membership and admission policy regarding joining a Hutterite colony and are a violation of US citizenship expressed in the US Code as 8 USC 1448 'Oath of Renunciation and Allegiance'.

6/21/12

Senate passes their version of the Farm Bill 2012. The Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry, version of the Farm Bill 2012 is known as S. 3240 Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2012.

7/12/12

House Committee on Agriculture passes its version of the Farm Bill 2012 known as H.R. 6083 Federal Agriculture Reform and Risk Management Act of 2012, also known as FARRM. Their Farm Bill still has to go to the House floor for a vote.

9/30/12

Farm Bill 2007 expires. The Farm Bill 2007 is known as H.R. 2419 Farm, Nutrition, and Bioenergy Act of 2007.

10/1/12

House of Representatives fails to pass their version of the Farm Bill 2012 and fails to extend Farm Bill 2007.

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> Time Calculations

Note: time calculations made with reference date 10/1/2012 as endpoint

1) John Stahl (President, Hutterian Brethren Church)

Request made for documentation of official Hutterite policy concerning joining a Hutterite colony.

Mail delivered: 12/31/09

No documentation received as of 10/1/12.

Time passed: 2 years 9 months

2) FSA Administrators

a) Teresa Lasseter

Request made for a reconsideration of John Johnson's 2 statements concerning his resolution of my complaint. Teresa Lasseter left FSA the week of 1/16/09.

Mail delivered (final mail delivery): 11/24/08

No statement received as of the week of 1/16/09.

Time passed: 1 month 3 weeks

No statement received from any FSA Administrator as of 10/1/12.

Time passed: 3 years 10 months

b) Dennis Taitano

Request made for information concerning what happened to my complaint.

E-mail sent: 5/13/09

No response as of 10/1/12.

Time passed: 3 years 4 months

c) Jonathan Coppess

Request made for information concerning what happened to my complaint.

E-mail sent: 9/7/09

No response as of 10/1/12.

Time passed: 3 years

3) USA Government Committees

a) House Committee on Agriculture

Mail delivered: 7/27/09

No statement as of 10/1/12.

Time passed: 3 years 2 months

b) House Committee on Rules

Mail delivered: 7/27/09

No statement as of 10/1/12.

Time passed: 3 years 2 months

c) Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs

Mail delivered: 2/5/10

No statement as of 10/1/12.

Time passed: 2 years 7 months

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Complaint sent to USA Government Committee and Statement Received from Committee

1. House Committee on Agriculture

a) Complaint

- 1) Complaint Sent: 7/21/2009
- 2) Complaint Delivered: 7/27/2009

b) Statement

- 1) Statement Received: no statement received as of 10/1/2012
- 2) Time Elapsed: 3 years 2 months

2. House Committee on Rules

a) Complaint

- 1) Complaint Sent: 7/21/2009
- 2) Complaint Delivered: 7/27/2009

b) Statement

- 1) Statement Received: no statement received as of 10/1/2012
- 2) Time Elapsed: 3 years 2 months

3. Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs

a) Complaint

- 1) Complaint Sent: 2/1/2010
- 2) Complaint Delivered: 2/5/2010

b) Statement

- 1) Statement Received: no statement received as of 10/1/2012
- 2) Time Elapsed: 2 years 7 months

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