

Judicial Watch Sues to Obtain FBI Communications With Banks Over Jan. 6 Protesters

Judicial Watch is suing the Department of Justice (DOJ) for records of communications between the FBI and major banks that gave officials data on financial transactions on Jan. 5 and 6 by suspects linked to the Jan. 6 incursion on Capitol Hill. The Washington, D.C.-based government watchdog filed its suit after the FBI failed to respond as required by federal law to the group's Feb. 10, 2021, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for: "All records of communication between the FBI and any financial institution, including but not limited to Bank of America, Citibank, Chase Manhattan Bank, Discover, and/or American Express, in which the FBI sought transaction data for those financial institutions' debit and credit card account holders who made purchases in Washington, DC, Maryland and/or Virginia on January 5, 2021, and/or January 6, 2021." The law enforcement agency's request, according to Judicial Watch, to the financial institutions was in ...

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