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VIA EMAIL

FOIA Officer
Office of Personnel Management
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1900 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20415-7900
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Re: FOIA request regarding recent terminations of federal employees

Dear FOIA Officer,

The Trump Administration's recent firing of federal employees, including many U.S. veterans and their spouses, is reckless and shortsighted. These actions have created turmoil across our states, harming our communities by disrupting critical services and creating unnecessary instability. And these actions have real-life consequences for the lives and household budgets of U.S. veterans and their families. They serve only to needlessly deprive the federal workforce of many highly skilled, dedicated workers.

As such, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, we request that the following information be provided:

- 1. Any document or written correspondence, including but not limited to email, that lists or references which federal employees who have been terminated for any period of time since January 20, 2025 were entitled to a veterans' preference in employment and, if available, that employee's last position prior to termination.
- 2. Any document or written correspondence, including but not limited to email, that lists or references the number of federal employees who have been terminated for any period of time since January 20, 2025 who were entitled to a veterans' preference in employment.
- 3. Any document or written correspondence, including but not limited to email, that contains any numbers, data, or statistics related to the number of federal employees who have been terminated for any period of time since January 20, 2025 that are U.S. veterans.

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- 4. Any document or written correspondence, including but not limited to email, that lists or references federal employees terminated for any period of time since January 20, 2025 whose Official Personnel Folder reflects that the employee was a veteran or the spouse of a veteran and, if available, that employee's last position prior to termination.
- 5. Any document or written correspondence, including but not limited to email, that lists or references federal employees terminated for any period of time since January 20, 2025 who have an Official Military Personnel File and, if available, that employee's last position prior to termination.
- 6. Any document or written correspondence, including but not limited to email, that lists or references which federal employees who were terminated after January 20, 2025 have not been hired back into the federal workforce as of the date of your response to this FOIA request.

We request a waiver of all fees for this request. Disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to the public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and how recent terminations of federal employees have impacted U.S. veterans or their spouses. In addition, this FOIA request is not made for any commercial use and is made on behalf of state governmental agencies.

The State of Arizona is willing to pay fees for this request up to a maximum of \$100.00. If you estimate that the fees will exceed this limit, please contact us via ACL@azag.gov first.

Sincerely,

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