

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**MAHMOOD SALIM
AL MOHAMMED, et al.,**

Petitioners,

v.

**BARACK H. OBAMA,
President of the United States, et al.,**

Civil Action 05-00247 (HHK)

**ABD AL HAKIM GHALIB
AHMAD ALHAG,**

Petitioner,

v.

**BARACK H. OBAMA,
President of the United States, et al.,**

Respondents.

Civil Action 05-02199 (HHK)

**GHANIM-ABDULRAHMAN
AL-HARBI, et al.,**

Petitioners,

v.

**BARACK H. OBAMA,
President of the United States, et al.**

Respondents.

Civil Action 05-02479 (HHK)

**MOHAMMED ABDULLAH
MOHAMMED BA ODAH,**

Petitioners,

v.

**BARACK H. OBAMA,
President of the United States et al.,**

Respondents.

Civil Action 06-01668 (HHK)

**FADHEL HUSSEIN
SALEH HENTIF, et al.,**

Petitioners,

v.

**BARACK H. OBAMA
President of the United States, et al.,**

Respondents.

Civil Action 06-01766 (HHK)

**ABDURRAHMAN ABDALLAH ALI
MAHMOUD AL SHUBATI, et al.,**

Petitioners,

v.

**BARACK H. OBAMA,
President of the United States, et al.,**

Respondents.

Civil Action 07-02338 (HHK)

MOHAMMED SULAYMON BARRE,

Petitioner,

v.

**BARACK H. OBAMA,
President of the United States, et al.,**

Respondents.

Civil Action 08-01153 (HHK)

MAHMOAD ABDAH, et al.,

Petitioners,

v.

BARACK H. OBAMA, et al.,

Respondents.

Civil Action 04-01254 (HHK)

ORDER

In these cases, numerous pleadings have been designated as “classified” or “under seal.” The court is able to identify some of these pleadings from the text that the parties have input into the ECF docket upon filing and from the notices linked thereto as .pdf documents (“notice”). *See, e.g., Al-Mohammed v. Obama*, 1:05-cv-00247, #165 (March 20, 2009) (docket and notice identify pleading as “Petitioner’s Motion to Compel Compliance with Disclosure Obligations Pursuant to Amended Case Management Order.”). In other instances, the court cannot identify a pleading from the ECF docket but can identify it from the notice. *See, e.g., Al-Mohammed*, 1:05-

cv-00247, #188 (May 22, 2009) (docket states only “Notice of Filing,” but notice identifies pleading as “Respondents’ Memorandum Regarding Evaluation of Hearsay and Reliability of Intelligence Information.”). In still other instances, the court cannot identify the pleading from the ECF docket or the notice. *See, e.g., Odah v. Obama*, 1:06-cv-01668, #153, (June 4, 2009) (docket states only “Notice of Filing under Seal,” and notice does not identify pleading).

The court prefers the first approach, whereby the ECF docket and the notice identify the pleading, because it facilitates the court’s ability to track the motions in these cases. In contrast, the latter two approaches may, in some circumstances, needlessly frustrate the court’s ability to manage its docket by making it more difficult to ascertain the identities of certain pleadings.

Accordingly, it is this 29th day of June 2009, hereby

ORDERED that the docket and notice for every pleading in these cases filed on or after June 30, 2009, shall identify the name of the pleading and/or provide a brief description of it unless doing so would violate the law, a protective order, a confidentiality order, or the like; and it is further

ORDERED that the parties in each of these cases shall confer in good faith and by no later than July 10, 2009, file a joint schedule identifying all motions still pending for each case. The joint schedule also shall identify any motions that any party withdraws or that the court may deny as moot or for some other reason. If the parties disagree as to whether the court may deny any such motion, the parties shall explain their disagreement on the schedule.

Henry H. Kennedy, Jr.
United States District Judge