

**U.S. District Court  
Southern District of Illinois (East St. Louis)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:21-cv-00540-NJR**

Kent et al v. Vilsack et al  
Assigned to: Chief Judge Nancy J. Rosenstengel  
Cause: 05:702 Administrative Procedure Act

Date Filed: 06/07/2021  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 440 Civil Rights:  
Other  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government  
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<b>Date Filed</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Docket Text</b>
06/07/2021	<a href="#">1</a>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants ( Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number 0754-4496658.), filed by All Plaintiffs. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Civil Cover Sheet, # <a href="#">2</a> Summons re Zach Ducheneaux, # <a href="#">3</a> Summons re Thomas Vilsack)(Roper, Glenn) (Entered: 06/07/2021)
06/08/2021	2	Notice of Judge Assignment. Judge J. Phil Gilbert assigned. All future documents must bear case number 21-cv-540-JPG. (kek) (Entered: 06/08/2021)
06/08/2021	3	NOTICE OF ACTION - See Local Rule 83.1(f). In all cases filed in, removed to, or transferred to this court, all attorneys, including government attorneys, shall file a written entry of appearance before addressing the court. Attorney Glenn Roper does not have a Notice of Appearance on file in this case. (kek)THIS TEXT ENTRY IS AN ORDER OF THE COURT. NO FURTHER DOCUMENTATION WILL BE MAILED. (Entered: 06/08/2021)
06/08/2021	<a href="#">4</a>	Summons Issued as to Thomas J. Vilsack and original mailed to Attorney Roper. (kek) (Entered: 06/08/2021)
06/08/2021	<a href="#">5</a>	Summons Issued as to Zach Ducheneaux and original mailed to Attorney Roper. (kek) (Entered: 06/08/2021)
06/09/2021	<a href="#">6</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Glenn E. Roper on behalf of All Plaintiffs (Roper, Glenn) (Entered: 06/09/2021)
06/09/2021	<a href="#">7</a>	MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Attorney Wencong Fa \$200 fee paid, receipt number 0754-4498823 by on behalf of All Plaintiffs. (Fa, Wencong) (Entered: 06/09/2021)
06/09/2021	8	ORDER OF RECUSAL. Judge J. Phil Gilbert recused. Case reassigned to Chief Judge Nancy J. Rosenstengel for all further proceedings. Signed by Judge J. Phil Gilbert on 6/9/2021. (jdh)THIS TEXT ENTRY IS AN ORDER OF THE COURT. NO FURTHER DOCUMENTATION WILL BE MAILED. (Entered: 06/09/2021)
06/09/2021	<a href="#">9</a>	MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Attorney Christopher M. Kieser \$200 fee paid, receipt number 0754-4499070 by on behalf of All Plaintiffs. (Kieser, Christopher) (Entered: 06/09/2021)

06/10/2021	10	ORDER, Granting <a href="#">7</a> MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Attorney Wencong Fa and <a href="#">9</a> MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Attorney Christopher M. Kieser.(kek)THIS TEXT ENTRY IS AN ORDER OF THE COURT. NO FURTHER DOCUMENTATION WILL BE MAILED. (Entered: 06/10/2021)
06/11/2021	<a href="#">11</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Christopher M. Kieser on behalf of All Plaintiffs (Kieser, Christopher) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/11/2021	<a href="#">12</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Wencong Fa on behalf of All Plaintiffs (Fa, Wencong) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/15/2021	<a href="#">13</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by All Plaintiffs. Zach Ducheneaux served on 6/11/2021, answer due 8/10/2021; Thomas J. Vilsack served on 6/11/2021, answer due 8/10/2021. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A - Affidavits of Service on USA, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit B - Certified Mail Receipts)(Roper, Glenn) (Entered: 06/15/2021)
06/22/2021	<a href="#">14</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Michael Fraser Knapp on behalf of All Defendants (Knapp, Michael) (Entered: 06/22/2021)
07/14/2021	<a href="#">15</a>	MOTION to Stay <i>All Proceedings</i> by Zach Ducheneaux, Thomas J. Vilsack. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A - Miller Order, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit B - Faust Order)(Knapp, Michael) (Entered: 07/14/2021)
07/14/2021	<a href="#">16</a>	MOTION to Stay ( <i>Administrative</i> ) ( <i>TIME SENSITIVE</i> ) by All Defendants. (Knapp, Michael) (Entered: 07/14/2021)
07/15/2021	<a href="#">17</a>	RESPONSE in Opposition re <a href="#">16</a> MOTION to Stay ( <i>Administrative</i> ) ( <i>TIME SENSITIVE</i> ) filed by All Plaintiffs. (Roper, Glenn) (Entered: 07/15/2021)
07/19/2021	18	ORDER GRANTING Defendants' MOTION to Stay ( <i>Administrative</i> ) ( <i>TIME SENSITIVE</i> ) (Doc. <a href="#">16</a> ). It is hereby ORDERED that the deadline for Defendants to Answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiffs' Complaint is STAYED pending further order of this Court. Signed by Chief Judge Nancy J. Rosenstengel on 7/19/2021. (drr)THIS TEXT ENTRY IS AN ORDER OF THE COURT. NO FURTHER DOCUMENTATION WILL BE MAILED. (Entered: 07/19/2021)

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