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Ref: Stephen Craig Paddock  
FOIA# 2018-004187CA

Dear Mr. Phelan:

This is in response to your request of February 19, 2018, which arrived in this office on February 20, 2018, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, requesting a copy of all medical records pertaining to Stephen Craig Paddock.

The enclosed 41 pages represent the complete Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Aerospace Medical file for Mr. Paddock.

There is no charge for this request, because the cost of process is under \$20.00.

You have the right to seek dispute resolution from the following:

FAA FOIA Public Liaison via phone (202)267-7799, email 7-AWA-ARC-FOIA@faa.gov (Subject Line: FOIA Public Liaison); or

Government Information Services (<https://ogis.archives.gov>) via phone (202)741-5770, toll-free 1-877-684-6448, fax (202)741-5769 or email [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov).

If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

David M. O'Brien, M.D., M.P.H.  
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Enclosure

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## NOTICE TO REQUESTERS OF FAA MEDICAL RECORDS

Prior to October 1999, applications and medical examination findings were maintained in paper files as part of the FAA's Medical System of Records. In the transition to an electronic System of Records, one of three things occurred: original FAA Form 8500-8 paper records were scanned into the electronic record, limited data were migrated from other systems onto templates in the electronic system, or paper records with no significant positive findings were destroyed after 3 years in accordance with the Federal Records Act and FAA Order 1350.14B, Records Management, and are not retained in the electronic system. Application information from FAA Form 8500-8 is rendered on an electronically generated summary sheet. Because the system generates a summary sheet from electronically stored data, your record may contain a depiction of an 8500-8 application in either or both of the following formats:

- a scanned copy of the original paper FAA Form 8500-8 and/or
- an electronically generated summary of information from the original medical application form. This electronically retained information is printed on a summary sheet related to the date of the application.

It has come to the attention of the FAA that the electronically generated summary sheets for data migrated from paper records to electronic records may contain incomplete or inconsistent information due to computer programming limitations of the summary sheet templates.

Therefore, while the records provided are true copies of official FAA files, and are retained because they contain much accurate information, they may also contain discrepancies. While the data captured in the electronic files is accurate, the way it is rendered on the exam summary sheet is inconsistent and may be inaccurate for exams performed on 8500-8 form versions AA through EE (approximately 1999 and earlier time frame).

Scanned Forms 8500-8 provide accurate information. However, because it is no longer possible for the FAA to correct the affected *summary* records, requesters should verify information in those records by consulting other sources.

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