



# Department of Justice Guide to the Freedom of Information Act



The *United States Department of Justice Guide to the Freedom of Information Act* is a comprehensive legal treatise on the FOIA. The *Guide* includes detailed discussions of the FOIA's procedural requirements, nine exemptions, and litigation considerations. Each section contains a detailed analysis of the key judicial opinions issued on the FOIA.

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