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Just Say No! to New Badges

The injunction against the HSPD12 background investigation remains IN EFFECT

“The Court rules that the October 11...order from the Ninth Circuit, which enjoined Government defendants from requiring employees in non-sensitive positions to submit questionnaires or authorization forms for release of information, remains in place....The Court ORDERS Government defendants to cease any further investigations of employees per the Ninth Circuit's ruling that the investigations are over broad and not justified by statute.” – U.S. District Court, Central District, March 13, 2008

Even after October 11, NASA proceeded with investigating those who submitted their forms. The **investigations** only stopped after the Appeals Court decision on January 11, and **will not be allowed to proceed until the case is resolved**, including any appeals.

The District Court nevertheless ruled recently that NASA may issue I.D. cards to those who cleared the background investigations prior to October 5. We believe that this ruling **does NOT place any obligation on the employee to complete the "enrollment" process to get the new badge.**

If you are one of the “badge-eligible” employees, be aware that NASA/JPL may require the following before they will issue your badge:

- Another set of fingerprints, which will be put into the RFID chip on the badge.
- Your signature on a form that requires you to notify NASA within 48 hours if there is any change in the information you provided on the application, potentially reopening your investigation.
- You will still need to also carry your OneNASA badge to access the JPL facility, as JPL does not currently have badge readers for the new HSPD12 badges.

The legal fight continues

Visit hspd12jpl.org for more information about HSPD12 and to view all the documents related to the legal action to protect your constitutional rights. Through the website you can

- Join concerned JPLers and **sign a statement of concern** about how HSPD-12 is being implemented at JPL (*Thank you!*) Visit hspd12jpl.org/statement.html.
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If you wish to speak with one of the plaintiffs in this case, contact Bob Nelson at 818-635-5536. Please let us and your management know if investigations are continuing in any way (forms sent to references, credit history checked, etc.).

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