

unless there is a showing of bad faith or exceptional circumstances. *See Oceana, Inc.*, 217 F. Supp. 3d at 318; *Stand Up for California!*, 71 F. Supp. 3d at 123-24.

Plaintiff has not made a showing that the Department of Education acted in bad faith or improperly, or at least to the degree necessary to make an exception to the ordinary rule. He will therefore be limited to the administrative record, which was certified as complete, in challenging the agency's decision.

In summary, because plaintiff has failed to show that extraordinary circumstances justify production of the agency's deliberative-process documents, the motion is DENIED.

So Ordered.

Dated: July 20, 2018

/s/ F. Dennis Saylor
F. Dennis Saylor IV
United States District Judge