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1	COURT OF APPEALS	
2	STATE OF NEW YORK	
3	THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,	
4	Respondent,	
5	-against-	
6	NO. 41	
7	JOSEPH SCHNEIDER,	
8	Appellant.	
9	20 Eagle Street Albany, New York May 5, 2021	
10	Before:	
11	CHIEF JUDGE JANET DIFIORE	
12	ASSOCIATE JUDGE JENNY RIVERA ASSOCIATE JUDGE LESLIE E. STEIN	
13	ASSOCIATE JUDGE EUGENE M. FAHEY ASSOCIATE JUDGE MICHAEL J. GARCIA	
14	ASSOCIATE JUDGE ROWAN D. WILSON	
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1 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: The next appeal on this 2 afternoon's calendar is appeal number 41, the People of the 3 State of New York versus Joseph Schneider. 4 We'll take one moment, counsel, to allow your 5 colleagues to move to the back. 6 (Pause) 7 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Good afternoon, counsel. 8 MR. PREZIOSI: Good afternoon. May it please the 9 court. My name is Stephen Preziosi, and I represent the 10 appellant, Joseph Schneider. 11 Your Honor, may I request two minutes of rebuttal 12 time? 13 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Of course. 14 MR. PREZIOSI: Your Honors, no New York court has 15 ever held that a phone call with a point of origin and a 16 point of reception outside the State of New York could be 17 legally monitored under New York's eavesdropping laws. 18 JUDGE STEIN: What about a nexus to New York? 19 MR. PREZIOSI: Not even that. I haven't found 20 that, Your Honor. I haven't seen that where the phone call 21 - - - Your Honor is saying where the phone call is coming 2.2 from outside the state to inside the state? 23 JUDGE STEIN: Right. Maybe there's not a 24 specific case, but I mean, isn't that something that would 25 be relevant here in terms of interpreting the statute and cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

whether it's permissible?

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2 MR. PREZIOSI: Yes, Your Honor. In fact, other 3 states - - - I haven't seen a New York State that - - -4 that has held that, Your Honor. Other states have. 5 Recently there's the Nebraska case that I cited. There 6 were cases - - - there was phone calls coming from Texas to 7 inside the state. Most importantly, Judge, we didn't have 8 that in this case. The facts of this case were all of the 9 phone calls were, point of origin to point of reception, 10 outside the State of New York. 11 JUDGE STEIN: No, I understand that. But we're 12 talking about a criminal enterprise that has a nexus to New 13 York, as a matter of fact to - - - to Kings County, right? 14 Or at least that's what the affidavit in support of the 15 warrant alleged. 16 MR. PREZIOSI: The facts in the affidavits don't 17 show that Joseph Schneider had any connection to New York, 18 whether through a criminal enterprise or not through a 19 criminal enterprise. He had no contact, directly or 20 indirectly, with the State of New York. 21 JUDGE GARCIA: Let's say he did. It's a cell 22 phone, it's registered in Tampa, let's say, but, you know, 23 cell phone numbers travel now, so he's in New York, he

> makes a call, they go up on a wiretap, they're intercepting in Kings, he goes to Pennsylvania and makes a call to, you

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1	know, Washington DC. They can't now intercept that call	
2	in Kings County?	
3	MR. PREZIOSI: If there's some nexus to New York,	
4	Your Honor, there's some criminal nexus to New York, then I	
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6	JUDGE GARCIA: But the crime is in New York,	
7	like, it's a drug conspiracy, so there's importation into	
8	Kings County, New York. But I'm having trouble	
9	understanding how your rule would ever work in the era of	
10	cell phones because, point to point, the phone's moving.	
11	So the point to point, when you go up on the wiretap, maybe	
12	Rochester or Greenpoint, or wherever, but then the phone	
13	moves across the river into New Jersey, so now the wiretap	
14	is no good.	
15	MR. PREZIOSI: Your Honor, there I don't	
16	see any support or any case law or anything in the statute	
17	that says outside the State I understand what Your	
18	Honor's question and concern is. However, I don't see	
19	anything in the statutes that say or can be interpreted as	
20	point of origin outside the state to inside the state.	
21	JUDGE STEIN: Well, is there anything in the	
22	statute that would preclude that? I mean, aren't we really	
23	looking at what it means to execute a warrant? Isn't	
24	isn't	
25	MR. PREZIOSI: Yes.	
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JUDGE STEIN: Okay. All right. So is there 1 2 anything in how that's described in Article 700 that would 3 preclude it from meaning that its interception is what 4 execution is, and if it's intercepted in New York, then 5 that would be a valid forum. 6 MR. PREZIOSI: Your Honor, two things. One, the 7 way we define telephonic communications, and because our 8 stat - - - our statute in New York is modeled after the 9 federal statute, we kind of have to juxtapose those two. 10 The federal statute is 2510(1), 18 U.S.C. 2510(1). They 11 call them wire communications. And our statute, the penal 12 law, section 250(3), is imported into the eavesdropping 13 law. 14 250(3) excises the language concerning interstate 15 communications and communications that affect interstate or 16 foreign commerce. That's taken - - - that's deliberately 17 taken - - -18 JUDGE FAHEY: You know, have a problem with that 19 argument, though. I thought that 2516(2) would allow for 20 an eavesdropping warrant for gambling. 21 MR. PREZIOSI: 25 - - -2.2 JUDGE FAHEY: You're relying on (1) - - -23 MR. PREZIOSI: Well - - -24 JUDGE FAHEY: - - - but on (2) - - -25 MR. PREZIOSI: Well - cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 JUDGE FAHEY: Go ahead. 2 MR. PREZIOSI: Here's the distinction, Your 3 The definition section is 2510(1). Your Honor is Honor. 4 referring to the enabling statute. The enabling statute, 5 under Title III, for federal judges, is 2516(1), and - - -6 JUDGE FAHEY: So assuming that's the model, and it specifically mentions gambling, it seems to expressly -7 8 - - the express statutory language is directly contrary to 9 what you're arguing. 10 MR. PREZIOSI: No, I think - - - I think gambling is mentioned in 25(2), the enabling statute for state 11 12 judges. However, the way New York pen - - - New York penal 13 law, imported into the - - - into Article 700, defines 14 telephonic communications, comparing it to the federal 15 statute, after which it was modeled, the federal statute 16 says -- specifically, Judge - - - it was a long statute; I 17 didn't memorize it. The federal statute says - - -18 JUDGE FAHEY: Well, don't read the whole statute. 19 Just tell me your point. That's okay. 20 MR. PREZIOSI: The federal statute says you - - -21 they can - - - telephonic communications include interstate 2.2 communications and communications that affect interstate 23 and foreign commerce. 24 New York has taken that language out of the - - -25 the statute, out of our definition of telephonic cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 communications. And what I refer to in my brief, Your 2 Honor - - -3 JUDGE WILSON: But doesn't that just refer to the 4 fact that the federal government has power to do things 5 only if the Commerce Clause is implicated? 6 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: It's Judge Wilson. 7 MR. PREZIOSI: Right, oh, Judge Wilson. 8 JUDGE WILSON: Isn't the reason that that 9 language exists in the federal statute, because the federal statute needs to use its Commerce Clause power, and that's 10 just a reference to that, and the state doesn't need the 11 12 Commerce Clause power? 13 MR. PREZIOSI: What it - - -14 JUDGE WILSON: Isn't that all that's happening? 15 MR. PREZIOSI: What it is a reference to is the 16 enabling statute. Under 2516(1), federal judges express -17 - - both expressly and inferentially, have the authority to 18 set up eavesdropping orders that cross state borders. 19 There's - - - the language - - -JUDGE WILSON: Sure, as long as - - -20 21 MR. PREZIOSI: The language in the - - -22 JUDGE WILSON: As long as the Commerce Clause 23 power is implicated, right? 24 MR. PREZIOSI: Correct. 25 If it didn't affect interstate JUDGE WILSON: cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 commerce - - -2 MR. PREZIOSI: The enabling statute - - -3 JUDGE WILSON: - - - they couldn't do it. 4 MR. PREZIOSI: All of Title III stems from the 5 Commerce Clause. 6 JUDGE WILSON: Right. 7 MR. PREZIOSI: Yes, Your Honor, absolutely. 8 JUDGE WILSON: Right, and the state government -9 10 MR. PREZIOSI: So - - -JUDGE WILSON: - - - doesn't depend on the 11 12 Commerce Clause in the federal constitution, right? 13 MR. PREZIOSI: No, it does not. 14 JUDGE WILSON: Okay. 15 MR. PREZIOSI: It does not. And specifically, 16 the enable - - - if you - - - if you put the two - - -JUDGE WILSON: And that's why the language was 17 18 excised. 19 MR. PREZIOSI: I'm sorry, Your Honor? 20 JUDGE WILSON: That's why the language was 21 excised because it's irrelevant to the state. 22 MR. PREZIOSI: It was irrelevant. And I think, 23 both under the enabling statute in the - - - in the federal 24 - - - the federal Title III, 2516(2), and both under our 25 laws, the intention was to interpret our laws more cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

restrictively than the federal statute. And then the New York State legislature, under People v. Galina and People v. Washington, when something - - - when our statutes are modeled after the federal statute and we exclude language, we excise language, that was done intentionally by the legislature.

JUDGE WILSON: Can I ask you about - - -

JUDGE RIVERA: Let me ask you something else, because I'm having a little bit of difficulty understanding how the statute applies with respect to cellular devices, in this case, cell phones. So okay, is it an interception that occurs in New York or a redirection that brings the communication into New York? What occurred here, please? MR. PREZIOSI: Thank you, Your Honor. Yes. This is - - -

JUDGE RIVERA: I mean, these are not cell phones where you and I, let's just say, we're in New York and we're talking on our cell phones, correct?

MR. PREZIOSI: Yes.

JUDGE RIVERA: Right? These are cell communications happening outside the borders of New York State.

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MR. PREZIOSI: Correct.

JUDGE RIVERA: And that communication is brought

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1 MR. PREZIOSI: Correct. 2 JUDGE RIVERA: Okay. 3 MR. PREZIOSI: So Your Honor, from the seminal 4 case, the Rodriguez case from the Second Circuit, the big 5 holding was redirection presupposes interception. So my 6 argument is this - - - simply this. When Joseph Schneider 7 picked up his phone in Los Angeles County, California, his 8 voice, the human voice was transformed into a digital 9 signal. At that moment, the signal was redirected, was 10 captured, split, and - - -JUDGE RIVERA: And who redirected it? 11 12 MR. PREZIOSI: The - - - by the order of the 13 warrant of the judge sitting in Brooklyn. 14 JUDGE RIVERA: But who could actually redirect 15 it? 16 MR. PREZIOSI: The phone company. 17 JUDGE RIVERA: Thank you. 18 MR. PREZIOSI: The phone company. 19 JUDGE RIVERA: Okay. 20 MR. PREZIOSI: So the signal was redirected in 21 Los Angeles County, California. At that moment, it was 22 captured by the effect of the order of the lower court in 23 Brooklyn. 24 JUDGE RIVERA: Okay. 25 MR. PREZIOSI: At that moment, the Brooklyn cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

District Attorney had control over that signal. 1 2 JUDGE RIVERA: So let me ask it a different way. 3 What - -4 MR. PREZIOSI: And that's where the interception 5 occurred. 6 JUDGE RIVERA: From your point of this argument -- - and I know you're going to disagree, but I just want to 7 8 understand. I think they're arguing that a justice in New 9 York or a judge in New York has authority to order that 10 redirection outside the borders of New York, to bring it So what's your argument why they cannot do that? 11 in. 12 MR. PREZIOSI: My argument is because the express 13 language does not appear anywhere in Article 700. There is 14 absolutely no language with regards to interstate 15 communications. We in fact exclude from our definition of 16 telephonic communications anything having to do with 17 interstate communications or communications affecting 18 interstate commerce. 19 Comparing the enabling - - - going back to the 20 enabling statute, and I think that's where any analysis of 21 this has to start, because federal judges, under 2516(1) 22 expressly - - - expressly and inferentially have the power 23 to cross state borders. That language is absent in the 24 enabling statute. And it is absent in our statute as well. 25 And if you look at specifically the statute that cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

we're talking about here, Your Honor, we're talking about 1 2 700.05(4). That - - -3 JUDGE GARCIA: But counsel, I have a - - - up 4 here. 5 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Judge Garcia. 6 JUDGE GARCIA: I'm sorry, if I might, Chief 7 Judge, I think the light's on. 8 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Yes, please. 9 JUDGE GARCIA: But I'm having some trouble 10 understanding, again, how this would work, and maybe I just 11 don't understand technology. So a cell phone in California 12 makes a call, let's say, to Utah by order - - - wiretap 13 order. That signal gets redirected to New York where it 14 gets intercepted by law enforcement in Kings County, right? 15 MR. PREZIOSI: Yes. 16 JUDGE GARCIA: No order, phone call gets made, 17 the signal, I presume, would somehow go right from 18 California to Utah. 19 MR. PREZIOSI: Yes. Your Honor, and just so the 20 court knows, there's an excellent explanation of the 21 technology - - -22 JUDGE GARCIA: But before we get to the excellent 23 explanation - - -24 MR. PREZIOSI: Okay. 25 - - - so let's say I'm in New York JUDGE GARCIA: cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 - - - I'm in New Jersey, I make a call, I'm calling Canada, 2 but the signal's going to go through and be routed normally 3 through upstate New York, Rochester, let's say. So a judge 4 in Rochester, because the signal's not being redirected, 5 could issue the warrant. Is that the kind of system we 6 want? 7 MR. PREZIOSI: No, Judge. I think - - - I think when the force of the warrant in this case redirected the 8 9 signal from California - - -JUDGE GARCIA: I guess what I'm getting at is 10 11 what's your rule that you want us to apply for people 12 getting wiretaps in the future? Can a Rochester judge 13 order the interception of or execution of warrant in 14 Rochester because the signal is naturally passing through 15 Rochester? 16 MR. PREZIOSI: No. 17 JUDGE GARCIA: Or do you have to examine - - - so 18 we would have to examine point-to-point calls, and where 19 they go through, and if they are being redirected into the 20 jurisdiction. 21 MR. PREZIOSI: Judge, just in terms of the 22 technology, they can be redirected from anywhere. This is 23 the new technology of the - - -24 JUDGE FAHEY: But isn't - - - to follow up on 25 Judge Garcia's point, isn't this basic determination - - cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1	first off, if any judge in New York issues a warrant, it's	
2	good for the whole state, right?	
3	MR. PREZIOSI: Yes.	
4	JUDGE FAHEY: Okay. So the judge makes a	
5	probable cause determination to get an eavesdropping	
6	warrant, and that turns on the elements of the New York	
7	crimes that's the key point here not on the elements	
8	of the California crimes, or in this case I think it went	
9	from California to New Jersey, right?	
10	MR. PREZIOSI: Yes.	
11	JUDGE FAHEY: So California to New Jersey crimes.	
12	It so why wouldn't a New York judge be able to look	
13	at a conversation about New York crimes?	
14	MR. PREZIOSI: Because Joseph Schneider didn't	
15	commit any crimes in New York.	
16	JUDGE FAHEY: Well, he pled to some, so I don't	
17	know	
18	MR. PREZIOSI: But that doesn't	
19	JUDGE FAHEY: I no, let me just	
20	MR. PREZIOSI: The facts of the affidavit	
21	JUDGE FAHEY: Let me just finish my point.	
22	MR. PREZIOSI: stand on their own, Judge.	
23	JUDGE FAHEY: Let me finish my point.	
24	MR. PREZIOSI: Regardless of his plea.	
25	JUDGE FAHEY: He apparently pled to some, so I	
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1 don't know if - - - you can argue that, and I don't think 2 it's a main point, but the point I'm trying to make here is 3 that the elements of the crime that is being alleged, that 4 are New York crimes, are what are the basis for the 5 probable cause determination that a judge has to make about 6 an eavesdropping warrant. And that would apply for any 7 state in the union. It seems it would be consistent and 8 not a violation of any federalist principle. 9 MR. PREZIOSI: Well, Judge, what I'm asking is 10 what has historically always happened. 11 JUDGE FAHEY: Sure. Go ahead. 12 MR. PREZIOSI: The execution of warrants has 13 always been local, always. For example - - -14 JUDGE STEIN: But we didn't have cell phones, 15 historically, either. 16 MR. PREZIOSI: For example - - - for example - -17 18 JUDGE STEIN: But - - -19 MR. PREZIOSI: - - - when -20 JUDGE STEIN: But we're dealing with a different 21 animal here. 22 MR. PREZIOSI: And the execution - -23 JUDGE STEIN: And that's what we're trying to ascertain what the rule should be. 24 25 The execution of this warrant MR. PREZIOSI: cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 occurred in Los Angeles, California when they captured and 2 redirected that signal. There's nothing - - -3 JUDGE STEIN: When who captured and redirected 4 that signal? 5 MR. PREZIOSI: I'm sorry, Your Honor? 6 JUDGE STEIN: You mean when the law enforcement 7 officers in Kings County captured it there? 8 MR. PREZIOSI: Yes. That is where the effect of 9 the warrant took place in Los - - -10 JUDGE STEIN: Okay. So - - -11 MR. PREZIOSI: - - - in Los Angeles. 12 JUDGE STEIN: So - - -13 MR. PREZIOSI: And it is - - -14 JUDGE STEIN: Let me take, maybe, Judge Garcia's 15 question a little bit further. So that means that every 16 time a call is intercepted, that the warrant has to come 17 from where that phone is at that minute. So one minute the 18 car's in New York State, and the next minute it crosses the 19 bridge and it's in New Jersey. And if you don't intercept 20 it at the right time, too bad. 21 MR. PREZIOSI: No, I don't think that's what it 22 means, Judge. 23 JUDGE STEIN: Is that the rule? 24 MR. PREZIOSI: No. 25 JUDGE STEIN: Okay. So what is - - cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

MR. PREZIOSI: I think if there's some criminal 1 2 nexus to New York, then there is support in other state's 3 case laws, not in New York State, but in other state's case 4 laws, interpreting their statutes. However, that - - -5 those are not the facts of this case. Joseph Schneider 6 never moved from California. And what I'm advocating is 7 this. Where they were - - - where this - - - this wiretap 8 9 JUDGE STEIN: Oh, so you're assuming that the 10 nexus has to be the physical presence of the person? 11 MR. PREZIOSI: No. 12 JUDGE STEIN: There could be a nexus to a crime -13 14 MR. PREZIOSI: But he or she - - -15 JUDGE STEIN: - - - without that? 16 MR. PREZIOSI: - - - has to be committing a crime 17 in New York. 18 JUDGE STEIN: Um-hum. Well - - -19 MR. PREZIOSI: There must be some criminal nexus 20 to the State of New York. 21 JUDGE STEIN: Okay. 22 MR. PREZIOSI: And what I'm advocating is this. 23 Execution where the term that seems to be kicking up all 24 of the dust here is where was it executed, where was the 25 warrant executed? The warrant was executed where they took cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1	control of that signal in California. And this this	
2	wiretap operation went on for a couple of years.	
3	JUDGE FAHEY: Is it fair to say	
4	MR. PREZIOSI: They could have	
5	JUDGE FAHEY: that this rule is simply	
6	- what the People are arguing for is a listening post rule.	
7	MR. PREZIOSI: Yes, and here's why the listening	
8	post rule violates both the enabling statute and New York	
9	State law.	
10	The enabling when we say that the warrant	
11	was executed at the point of the listening post, it puts	
12	state judges on equal footing with federal judges. And	
13	that is not what the enabling statute, 2516(1) and (2), had	
14	envisioned, giving state judges that authority.	
15	The statute, Title III of the statute was	
16	envisioned that states would adopt more restrictive laws	
17	than the federal statute. And we did that. We did that	
18	when we	
19	JUDGE RIVERA: So if New York judges	
20	MR. PREZIOSI: defined telephonic	
21	JUDGE RIVERA: Let me ask you this. If New York	
22	judges can't do that that's your position?	
23	MR. PREZIOSI: Yes.	
24	JUDGE RIVERA: Do investigators, who are	
25	investigating a crime, a New York crime, have other tools	
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1	under the law in New York to try and get the evidence that			
2	supports a prosecution?			
3	MR. PREZIOSI: Absolutely. Absolutely.			
4	JUDGE RIVERA: Okay. What would that be?			
5	MR. PREZIOSI: State investigators collaborate			
6	with federal investigators every day. Many federal			
7	agencies have liaisons in state law enforcement offices.			
8	The state the federal courthouse is a block away from			
9	my colleague's office at the Brooklyn DA's office.			
10	JUDGE RIVERA: Let's say the feds are not			
11	interested, what other option is available?			
12	MR. PREZIOSI: They can go to Los Angeles and			
13	seek a Los Angeles County judge's order, as they did with			
14	the arrest warrant and the search warrant.			
15	And Judge Stein, this comes back to my the			
16	the issue that Your Honor was raising. The execution			
17	of warrants, the terms "execution" has historically been			
18	local. For example, when New York law enforcement goes to			
19	a sister state to execute an arrest warrant or a search			
20	warrant, they must go before a local judge and conform and			
21	comply with local law.			
22	JUDGE STEIN: Well, I guess			
23	MR. PREZIOSI: The same thing we require			
24	the same thing here in New York.			
25	JUDGE STEIN: I understand that argument. I just			
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- - - I'm having difficulty understanding how it applies to 1 2 cell phone communications - - -3 MR. PREZIOSI: And here - - -4 JUDGE STEIN: Because certainly, even in this 5 case, sure, they physically went to California to arrest 6 the defendant, with the cooperation of the California 7 authorities, right? But that doesn't answer the vexing 8 questions we have about - - -9 MR. PREZIOSI: And let me try to do that, Judge. 10 JUDGE STEIN: - - - what we do about cell phones 11 - - - cell phone communications. 12 MR. PREZIOSI: Because this investigation went on 13 for over a year, they could have gone to Los Angeles and 14 sought an eavesdropping warrant from a California judge. 15 They didn't. 16 JUDGE STEIN: They could have - - -17 MR. PREZIOSI: They - - - they - - -18 JUDGE STEIN: Maybe in this case they could have. 19 That's right. But in - - -20 MR. PREZIOSI: And here's why - - -21 JUDGE STEIN: - - - other cases, when you have 22 somebody traveling around, moving around, crossing state 23 borders, whatever - - -24 MR. PREZIOSI: It did not happen here. 25 JUDGE STEIN: I know, but if we make a rule - - cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Does that mean, in a multi-2 jurisdictional narcotics investigation, that if there are 3 fifty people involved in a conspiracy that's happening out 4 of New York City or Brooklyn, as here, that they'd have to 5 travel to every one of those jurisdictions - - -6 MR. PREZIOSI: No. 7 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: - - - to intercept all 8 those coconspirators? 9 MR. PREZIOSI: No, Your Honor. 10 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: What does that mean? 11 MR. PREZIOSI: They can collaborate with federal 12 authorities, and they do that every day. Nothing 13 overburdensome and nothing new. 14 Judge, and here - - - I just want to come back to 15 this. Because if we allow the - - - a New York State judge 16 - - - and the conversations being heard here, the majority 17 of conversations were California-to-California. But the 18 conversations spanned the entire continental United States 19 here. And here's why I think this is such an egregious - -20 - an eqregious abuse of discretion from this judge sitting 21 in Brooklyn because the conversations were the entire 22 continental United States and beyond. The -23 JUDGE GARCIA: But counsel, I'm sorry, but it 24 seems to me you want to equate "execute", which we keep 25 coming back to in the statute, to a call-by-call execution, cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 like, where are they redirecting that call. Because let's 2 say I - - - the phone's here; it's a mobile phone, and they 3 make a call out of Brooklyn, and then they go to 4 California. I execute that warrant first in Brooklyn and I 5 intercept that call. Then the target goes to California 6 for the next year. So I can only capture the first call 7 because I'm executing the thous - - - the warrant on the 8 thousands of other calls in California? 9 MR. PREZIOSI: Well, Judge, here's the support 10 for my - - -11 JUDGE GARCIA: But is that the rule that you 12 would have, that "execute" means you look at a call-by-call 13 basis? 14 MR. PREZIOSI: No. No. It - - -15 JUDGE GARCIA: So which one do we use for --16 MR. PREZIOSI: Certainly there could be 17 exceptions for travelling cell phones. 18 JUDGE GARCIA: No, but which - - - what do we 19 define "execute" as under your theory? 20 MR. PREZIOSI: When they took control of the 21 digital signal in - - -2.2 JUDGE GARCIA: For the first call or for the one thousand calls? 23 24 MR. PREZIOSI: That's all his calls. All of his 25 calls - criper (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

JUDGE GARCIA: But let's say it's not all of his 1 2 calls. Let's say he makes three out of the one thousand 3 calls in New York, so execute for those three calls that 4 would be in New York? MR. PREZIOSI: Well, he didn't make any phone 5 6 calls to New York. 7 JUDGE GARCIA: Hypothetical. 8 MR. PREZIOSI: So if he's calling from California 9 to New York, Your Honor? 10 JUDGE GARCIA: Or the other way; he makes two calls from New York, and then he moves to California for a 11 12 year and makes all the rest of his calls in California. 13 MR. PREZIOSI: And Judge, there would have to be 14 some criminal nexus back to New York. We would have - - -15 I mean, and these - - -16 JUDGE GARCIA: But how is that tied - - -17 MR. PREZIOSI: - - - cases are so fact-specific, 18 Your Honor. 19 JUDGE GARCIA: - - - to "execute"? I'm trying to 20 understand what your definition of "execute" is because I 21 go and I get the warrant, the judge can sign where the 22 warrant is executed, right? So I need to know that now. 23 So what am I telling the judge "executed" means? 24 MR. PREZIOSI: In this case, on these facts, Your 25 Honor, the - - - all of the cases, all of the federal cases cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

say "execute" means at both the situs of the phone and at 1 2 the listening post for the federal cases. And here's why I 3 say that violates the law - - -4 JUDGE GARCIA: So - - -5 MR. PREZIOSI: - - - when they say - - -6 JUDGE GARCIA: -- I get why that's not the rule 7 here, but what is your rule - - - why you believe that's 8 not the rule. What is your rule for the judge sitting in 9 Kings County for "execute"? 10 MR. PREZIOSI: My rule is both at the situs of the phone and at the listening post, but not for New York. 11 12 New York cannot say just the listening post. And here's 13 why, Your Honor, because under federal law - - - under 14 federal law, "execute" means situs of the phone and the 15 listening post. Situs of the phone is fine because the - -16 - under federal - - - a federal judge - - -17 JUDGE GARCIA: So then when I'm listening to the 18 phone calls and I realize a call is California to Utah, 19 even if it's being intercepted in Kings, I minimize that 20 call or just the warrant's no good. 21 MR. PREZIOSI: I think that all of the evidence 22 should be suppressible, Your Honor. 23 JUDGE GARCIA: The entire, even the New York 24 calls? 25 MR. PREZIOSI: And here's why, Your Honor. If we cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

say, as the People are advocating, that the - - - that the 1 2 interception only occurs at the listening post, that puts 3 New York judges on the same footing as federal judges, 4 which the enabling statute never intended. And it allows 5 New York judges to violate sister state laws, as it did in 6 this case, because California requires that an out of - - -7 a sister state must have a joint - - - a joint 8 investigation with their law enforcement in order to 9 intercept California phones. So if you've put the point of 10 interception at the listening post, then you're starting to run into the separate sovereign doctrines and, you know, 11 12 the full - - -13 JUDGE STEIN: Counsel, if I could just interrupt 14 here for a second. When I read your federal - - - your 15 constitutional arguments, I sort of got the feeling of, you 16 know, federal constitutional spaghetti against the wall. 17 Can you tell us what you think your strongest 18 constitutional argument is here? 19 MR. PREZIOSI: I think it's the Full Faith and 20 Credit Clause, Your Honor. And here's why. The Full Faith 21 and Credit Clause says we must give the same preclusive 22 effect to evidence coming in that was obtained in 23 California here in our courts. In California, the wiretaps 24 were illegal. Why? Because, one, they don't allow 25 eavesdropping on gambling offenses. cribers

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JUDGE STEIN: But doesn't that - - -1 2 MR. PREZIOSI: And two - - -3 JUDGE STEIN: - - - presume that we have 4 competing proceedings going on in the different states? 5 Isn't that what Full Faith and Credit is - - -6 MR. PREZIOSI: We have conflicts of law; that's 7 what the Full Faith and Credit Clause was intended to do -8 9 JUDGE STEIN: Okay. But we don't - - -10 MR. PREZIOSI: - - - to harmonize. 11 JUDGE STEIN: - - - have that here. They're not 12 - - - they're not doing any litigation over this in 13 California. 14 MR. PREZIOSI: No, it was never brought in a 15 California court. 16 JUDGE STEIN: Okay. 17 MR. PREZIOSI: This was never brought - - -18 JUDGE STEIN: Because they can't. 19 MR. PREZIOSI: - - - into a California court. 20 JUDGE STEIN: Right? 21 MR. PREZIOSI: And the - - -22 JUDGE STEIN: They can't. 23 MR. PREZIOSI: And this is why - - - going back 24 to Judge Garcia's question is, if we put, as the People 25 advocate, the point of interception, the point of execution cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 of the warrant at only the listening post, then it allows 2 other sister states, as New York did here, to go into 3 California and violate California law. And we can say, 4 hey, we're not intercepting your phone calls of your 5 citizens because we define "intercept" and "execute" 6 differently. And that's not okay. 7 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Counsel, does the listening 8 post rule - - -9 MR. PREZIOSI: Sorry. It's these masks, Judge. 10 Sorry. 11 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: - - - support the strong 12 public policy concerns that form the foundation of the 13 notion that the supervising judge of the wiretap has to be 14 hyper-attuned to minimization issues and privacy issues? 15 Isn't that part of this also, in these big multi-16 jurisdictional investigations, to have one judge overseeing 17 and supervising the entire eavesdropping investigation? 18 MR. PREZIOSI: Yeah. You know, Judge, I think it 19 cuts both ways. And what's interesting, Your Honor's 20 question brings us right back to the seminal case of United 21 States v. Rodriguez. In that case, Judge Meskill wrote a 22 concurring opinion that kind of read more like a dissent. 23 And he complained about the majority's opinion saying, you 24 know, this one supervising judge rule sometimes has a good 25 effect but is one judge supervising, as in this case, cribers

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conversations that take place across the continental United 1 2 States, is he as concerned about what's going on in those 3 conversations from Hawaii to California as a local judge -4 - - as much as a local judge would have been? 5 So I think, Your Honor - - - Your Honor, to 6 answer your question, it cuts both ways. Would it be more 7 organized for a prosecutor to have one judge? Certainly, 8 yes. Would the sitting judge - - - a judge sitting in 9 Brooklyn be as concerned and as vigilant about looking at 10 conversations occurring in Hawaii and California? I don't think so. So to answer Your Honor's questions, yes, I know 11 12 13 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Well, if you were assuming 14 that the judge's interest was solely local crime and 15 protecting against local crime and not - - -16 MR. PREZIOSI: In that - - - in that case - - -17 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: - - - being mindful of 18 minimization rules and - - -19 MR. PREZIOSI: In that case, yes, Your Honor, if 20 it was just a local crime. But I think there were - - -21 there were so many conversations here that had nothing to 22 do with New York, that had - - - did not touch New York. 23 California and Hawaii -- most of the conversations were California-to-California. 24 25 Judge, I - - - I think I've taken way too much cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1	time.	
2	CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Yes. Thank you, counsel.	
3	You'll have your rebuttal time.	
4	Counsel?	
5	MR. DENNEHY: Good afternoon, Your Honors. May	
6	it please the court. My name is Morgan Dennehy. I	
7	represent the Kings County District Attorney's Office who	
8	is the respondent in this case.	
9	I'd like to begin just by clearing up just a	
10	repeated misstatement by my opponent claiming that his	
11	clients there was no evidence in the search warrant	
12	applications that his client was committing crimes in Kings	
13	County. That's false. In the appendix submitted by the	
14	appellant are the search warrant applications. And I point	
15	out in page 32 of my brief the various pages of those	
16	of those applications that allege criminal conduct by the	
17	defendant.	
18	JUDGE RIVERA: Well, that may be true. The	
19	question is whether or not you could get this particular	
20	kind of warrant to be able to overhear these	
21	communications. I just want to be clear on your rule.	
22	This is my hypothetical. I want to know if, under your	
23	rule, a judge or justice in New York could order the	
24	eavesdropping warrant. People calling each other on cell	
25	phones in California, talking to each other; one is in San	
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1	Diego, one is in San Francisco.	
2	MR. DENNEHY: Yes.	
3	JUDGE RIVERA: Talking on the cell phone. Can a	
4	New York judge and let's say they're talking about	
5	committing a crime in New York. Fine. Can a New York	
6	judge order a wiretap on the cell phone?	
7	MR. DENNEHY: Absolutely, Judge. The location of	
8	the callers is irrelevant in this analysis.	
9	JUDGE RIVERA: Well, what's the tell me	
10	where the authority is in the statute to cross the state's	
11	borders to do that?	
12	MR. DENNEHY: Absolutely. So the jurisdiction -	
13	it's there's a clear road map here. This is a	
14	case of statutory interpretation, and it's right here in	
15	the statute. So we could all agree that the word	
16	"execution" is paramount here because because so long	
17	as the warrant is executed in the judicial district in	
18	which the justice resides, that justice has jurisdiction.	
19	So the question before the court is what does the	
20	term "execute" mean. And the statute provides an answer.	
21	While there's no it would be convenient if it was in	
22	the definitional section of the statute, it's not. But the	
23	there's other sections of CPL Article 700 that talk	
24	about the term "execute", that uses that term in context.	
25	JUDGE RIVERA: Okay. Just tell me the provision.	
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1	Go ahead.	
2	MR. DENNEHY: I'm sorry, Judge?	
3	JUDGE RIVERA: What are the provisions exactly?	
4	Where are you	
5	MR. DENNEHY: Right, so we'll start with 7035(1),	
6	and that says that it's the manner and time of execution of	
7	the warrant, and that requires that the warrant must be	
8	executed, according to its terms, by a member of law	
9	enforcement. So we start with the proposition that law	
10	enforcement executes these warrants. Then you go to	
11	JUDGE RIVERA: But that still doesn't tell me	
12	that you're not arguing that the law enforcement	
13	officer can cross the state borders, right?	
14	MR. DENNEHY: No, absolutely not, Judge. That's	
15	the first step. So	
16	JUDGE RIVERA: So we're still left acting within	
17	the state borders, correct?	
18	MR. DENNEHY: Acting within the state borders,	
19	correct.	
20	JUDGE RIVERA: Um-hum.	
21	MR. DENNEHY: And then form and content,	
22	700.30(7), the eavesdropping warrant must contain a	
23	provision that the authorization to intercept shall be	
24	executed as soon as practical. So we're talking about	
25	interception now. So law enforcement interception, the	
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term "executing" being used with both - - -1 2 JUDGE RIVERA: So let me ask you, what's the 3 difference between redirection and interception, if any, 4 from your - - - according to your interpretation of the 5 statute? 6 MR. DENNEHY: Right, so the phone company's not 7 intercepting anything. They have the signal. Law 8 enforcement is making the interception because when the 9 redirection occurs, that's when the interception occurs. When - - -10 JUDGE RIVERA: So there is a redirection? 11 12 MR. DENNEHY: It's - - - it's - - -13 JUDGE RIVERA: One is not a call - - -14 MR. DENNEHY: The interception happens after the 15 redirection, Your Honor, because talking about - - -16 JUDGE RIVERA: So the interception cannot occur 17 without a redirection? 18 MR. DENNEHY: That's right. The redirection is 19 necessary to be - - - it's the step - - -20 JUDGE RIVERA: Let me ask you something else, 21 apropos of some questions that were asked to the 22 defendant's counsel about what happens when, you know, 23 someone with a cell phone, either the call itself is 24 crossing state lines or they themselves move across state 25 So you can correct me if I'm misunderstanding the lines. cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

CPL. CPL 700.05(4), that's the definitional section, does 1 2 have, at the end of that provision, a discussion about 3 conversations in a car on a car phone. And it says at the 4 end that you execute and intercept in the state. 5 MR. DENNEHY: That's right, Judge. 6 JUDGE RIVERA: Now, of course, a car phone could 7 easily cross state lines. We have the same problem as we 8 do with cell phones. Why doesn't this tell us that the 9 legislative intent is if a judge - - - judge's order cannot 10 allow for crossing the border. 11 MR. DENNEHY: The answer, Judge, is because the 12 term "execute" doesn't contemplate the location of the 13 caller. So if that car crosses state lines, it's 14 irrelevant because the execution is still occurring when the law enforcement officers are intercepting and 15 16 overhearing the calls. 17 That language that Your Honor has highlighted, 18 relevant to cellular - - - cellular phones affixed to cars, 19 actually expands a justice's jurisdiction. You don't have 20 to intercept and overhear the communications in the 21 judicial district in which the justice sits; you can - - -2.2 you can do that in the entire state. But again, it's not -23 - - it's not a restriction on jurisdiction. 24 JUDGE RIVERA: Yeah, but it's still the entire 25 state. criper (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 MR. DENNEHY: It - - -2 JUDGE RIVERA: That's what I'm not understanding 3 about your argument with respect - - - I think there's a lot of tension - - -4 5 MR. DENNEHY: Right. 6 JUDGE RIVERA: - - - and uncertainty with respect 7 to the statute. At the end of the day, it may very well be 8 that, given the last amendment is not even in this century, 9 to this statute, that perhaps the legislature needs to step 10 in and address this very serious concern that we've all been talking about today. What do you do in this kind of 11 12 crossing border - - -13 MR. DENNEHY: I would respectfully - - -14 JUDGE RIVERA: - - - for --15 MR. DENNEHY: I would respectfully argue that 16 it's plain from the reading of the statute, Judge. And 17 also common sense, when is a - - - when is a warrant 18 executed? Let's talk about a judicial search warrant. 19 It's executed when the authorities go to the location and 20 they go in and seize evidence. That's the execution of the 21 warrant. Here - - -22 JUDGE RIVERA: Right, when they go in and search, 23 right? 24 MR. DENNEHY: That's right. 25 JUDGE RIVERA: And if they find something cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

1 pursuant to the warrant, they do that. 2 MR. DENNEHY: That's the execution. That's the 3 commonly known - - -4 JUDGE RIVERA: Correct, you have not done that 5 because you haven't heard anything. 6 MR. DENNEHY: Right, so the taking of evidence 7 here is the hearing of the telephone call. So it's just 8 common sense - - -9 JUDGE RIVERA: So you're saying it's the final 10 stage, not any preparatory stage. 11 MR. DENNEHY: The machinations of getting the 12 signal to the listening post is not the execution of the 13 warrant under the terms of the statute. 14 JUDGE WILSON: Well, but by your analogy, though 15 16 MR. DENNEHY: The terms of the statute are pretty 17 clear; it's when law enforcement overhears intercepts. 18 JUDGE WILSON: By analogy to a conventional 19 search warrant, you wouldn't have a warrant authorizing a direction to a private party to go out of state to bring 20 21 physical evidence into the state so it could be viewed by 22 police in the state, right? That wouldn't work? 23 MR. DENNEHY: It's not permitted in the search 24 warrant statute, Judge. 25 JUDGE WILSON: Let me switch you for a moment cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

over to the federal statutes, and particularly to Section 1 2 2518. So 2518(3) has a provision in it, that is specific 3 to federal judges, that authorizes the use outside of the 4 territorial jurisdiction where the judge - - - federal 5 judge is sitting in the case of a mobile interception 6 device. 7 MR. DENNEHY: Yes, Judge. Again, you're talk - -8 9 There's no definition of "mobile JUDGE WILSON: 10 interception device" in the statute, that I can find. So it seems to me - - -11 12 MR. DENNEHY: Right, so the federal statute is 13 allowed - - -14 JUDGE WILSON: Just let me finish. It looks to 15 me as if there is a circuit split between the Seventh and 16 the Tenth Circuits about what that means with the Seventh 17 Circuit taking the position that it actually doesn't mean 18 the device itself; it's meant to reference cellular 19 communications. So there's no similar provision regarding 20 state judges in the federal statute. What do we make of 21 that? 22 MR. DENNEHY: That no way limits a state court's 23 jurisdiction to issue a warrant so long as the calls are 24 overheard and intercepted in the - - - in the jurisdiction 25 of the court, in the judicial district of the court. cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

Just as the federal statute is pretty much the same as the state statute in that the location of the callers is not the focus of the jurisdiction; it's where the calls are intercepted, and that mobile listening device provision expands a federal judge's jurisdiction beyond their judicial district in the - - - when a mobile listening device is used.

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So again, they're not talking about where these callers are. They're talking about where the listening post is set up. So just as the extra language in the New York statute about the mobile devices affixed to the cars expands the jurisdiction to the whole state, this federal language expands the jurisdiction beyond the federal - - the judicial district that the judge sits, the federal judge sits to other areas where the mobile listening device is. Again, the fact that that language exists - - -

17JUDGE WILSON: Well, that's the Tenth Circuit's18interpretation.

MR. DENNEHY: I'm sorry?

JUDGE WILSON: That's the Tenth Circuit's

interpretation but not the Seventh.

MR. DENNEHY: Right, so I'm not familiar with the distinction Your Honor is drawing and what impact that has on a restriction on a - -

JUDGE WILSON: Well, let me ask you this. Is it

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your view that the federal statute essentially is - - -1 2 provides the authority for states to act so that states 3 can't act in a way that is inconsistent with what is set 4 out in federal law? 5 MR. DENNEHY: That's correct, Judge. 6 JUDGE WILSON: Okay. MR. DENNEHY: But the state statute does not 7 8 exceed the bounds permitted by federal law. It's on point 9 with the federal law, it was modeled after the federal law. 10 And if Your Honors would look at every single case that has addressed this point of where there's a jurisdictional 11 12 issue, both federal and other states - - - this is a case 13 of first impression for New York Appellate courts. But all 14 - - - but two lower courts in New York have addressed this 15 The term "executed" means when the law enforcement issue. 16 officers overhear and intercept these - - - these phone 17 calls. And so long as that's done in the judicial district 18 in which the judge issuing the eavesdropping warrant sits, 19 jurisdiction exists, and the warrants are properly issued. 20 That - - - I cite all the cases in my brief. There's a 21 whole list of - - -22 JUDGE RIVERA: So your whole argument turns on 23 interception occurs at the time that the officers listen to 24 the communication; is that correct? 25 That's correct, Judge. That's what MR. DENNEHY: cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

all these cases hold. This is -- I'm not making this up -1 2 3 JUDGE RIVERA: Okay. So - - - so -4 MR. DENNEHY: - - - and it's also based on the 5 plain reading of the statute. 6 JUDGE RIVERA: So then what are we to make, if 7 anything, right, of the fact that the only way an officer 8 can listen is if indeed we're crossing state borders - - -9 in this example, right, the calls that are made in 10 California, not in New York - - - not to or from New York, or at least one person in New York - - - to bring that 11 12 communication in? 13 MR. DENNEHY: Yeah, that doesn't affect the 14 court's jurisdiction, Judge. That's - - -15 JUDGE WILSON: Okay. Well, why not? That's what 16 I keep asking. 17 MR. DENNEHY: Right. So again, I would point 18 Your Honor to the statute to the term "execute", and - - -19 and the term "execute" means the overhearing and listening 20 to the - - of the conversations. So long as that's done 21 in the judicial district of the judge, then you have 22 jurisdiction and the warrants are properly issued. How 23 those calls get there is not - - - it's an insignificant 24 detail in - - - with regard to how the statute is written. 25 JUDGE STEIN: Counselor, how do you respond to cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

your adversary's solution to all of this is that the local 1 2 law enforcement officials simply have to cooperate with the 3 federal law enforcement? 4 MR. DENNEHY: Well, I think it's ridiculous. I -5 - - it's - - -6 JUDGE STEIN: No, I mean, what's the practical -7 - - what's the - - -8 MR. DENNEHY: Well, first of all, there's no 9 requirement - - - the way the statute is written, it 10 certainly enables us to go out and get these warrants and to say that, you know, that's a viable alternative is not -11 12 - - is not - - - it's not feasible. Sometimes we - - - you 13 know, we're prosecuting crimes, I mean, sometimes the feds 14 maybe aren't interested in the crime we're interested in. 15 Maybe they're - - - they don't want to help us and they 16 don't have the resources to help us. And then we would 17 have to let criminal activity go - - -18 JUDGE FAHEY: Well, more fundamentally, isn't it 19 usually because the crimes that you're pursuing are not - -20 - there's not a federal equivalent? You're pursuing a New 21 York crime that's being committed based on -- in New York 22 State with communications that arise outside the state? 23 MR. DENNEHY: Yes, Judge, that - - -24 JUDGE FAHEY: Yeah. 25 That as well. MR. DENNEHY: cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

41 1 JUDGE GARCIA: So the federal government would 2 not a federal crime predicate - - -3 MR. DENNEHY: Yeah. 4 JUDGE GARCIA: - - - to go up on a wiretap 5 federally? 6 MR. DENNEHY: Right. 7 JUDGE GARCIA: But it may not be an equivalent 8 crime to something you're investigating in --9 MR. DENNEHY: That's right, and cases would fall 10 through the cracks. 11 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Thank you, counsel. 12 Counsel? 13 MR. DENNEHY: Thank you, Judge. 14 CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Your two minutes of 15 rebuttal? 16 MR. PREZIOSI: Judge Garcia and Judge Fahey, just 17 let me address that last question. 18 JUDGE FAHEY: Sure. 19 MR. PREZIOSI: All of the crimes that are in the 20 enabling statute under 2516(1) for state judges are also in 21 the enabling statute for federal judges, but not vice 22 versa. So is it a crime in federal? If we have the 23 ability to eavesdrop on it, it is also a federal crime 24 perforce. 25 And Judge Wilson, I wanted to address one of the cribers (973) 406-2250 operations@escribers.net www.escribers.net

topics your - - - you had raised. 2518(3), that express language that I had referenced earlier, is contained in the federal enabling statute but is completely absent in the enabling statute for state judges. And that is absent purposefully. In addition to that, it is absent purposely from our New York State's definition of telephonic communications.

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And Judge Rivera, I think Your Honor has hit upon the most important topic is that perhaps it is time for our legislature to revise these statutes. But as they stand right now, we have a new technology that crosses borders, that allows phone calls to be redirected from anywhere to anywhere. That's new. Typically, our cases, historically, whenever we have come into a new technology, we have provided greater protection to the citizen.

Going back to - - - Your Honors will remember the Katz case, where we had microphones on top of telephone booths. For the first time, we embraced the spoken word into our Fourth Amendment.

Then more recently we had Riley v. California where the U.S. Supreme Court said, hey, listen, the cell phone is a new technology, we need to - - - it needs greater protection. Normally, when you arrest somebody, you have the right to search all their possessions. But a cell phone needs greater protection because of its

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1	uniqueness and all of the information that it possesses.	
2	We provide a greater protection to the citizen.	
3	Even more recently, we had the Carpenter v.	
4	United States with regard to cell site location	
5	information. For the first time ever, we gave a defendant	
6	standing when information was in the possession of a third	
7	party.	
8	So whenever we have run into these new	
9	technologies, we have typically provided greater protection	
10	to the citizens under the Fourth Amendment. And that is	
11	what I'm asking here, Your Honor.	
12	CHIEF JUDGE DIFIORE: Thank you, counsel.	
13	MR. PREZIOSI: Thank you, Your Honor.	
14	(Court is adjourned)	
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