CASE NO.: 06-17132, 06-17137

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

TASH HEPTING, GREGORY HICKS, CAROLYN JEWEL, AND ERIK KNUTZEN, ON BEHALF OF THEMSELVES AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED,

PLAINTIFFS-APPELLEES,

V.

AT&T CORP.,

DEFENDANT-APPELLANT, AND

THE UNITED STATES,

INTERVENOR AND APPELLANT.

APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA THE HONORABLE VAUGHN R. WALKER, CHIEF DISTRICT JUDGE CIVIL No. C-06-0672-VRW

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- I, Michael M. Markman, hereby declare:
- 1. I am an attorney with the law firm of Heller Ehrman LLP, counsel of record for Plaintiffs-Appellees in this case. I am admitted to appear before this Court and I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.
- 2. I submit this declaration in support of Plaintiffs-Appellees' motion to file a single brief of 19,796 words (90 pages) in response to the multiple briefs filed by the Government and AT&T Corp. ("AT&T"). Plaintiffs-Appellees' request is supported by both diligence and substantial need. *See* Circuit Rule 32-2.
- 3. On March 9, 2007, Intervenor the United States served a public unclassified version of its opening brief. Intervenor certified that "The public and classified versions of this brief contain no more than 14,000 words...." The public version of the brief was 47 pages in length. Plaintiffs-Appellees have no way of knowing the size of the unredacted brief that the Government has submitted for *in camera* review but for Intervenor's vague certification.
- 4. On the same day, AT&T separately filed an opening brief certified to be 13,751 words in length (59 pages). The combined size of the two public briefs, assuming that Intervenor's submission is approximately 14,000 words in length, is approximately 27,500 words with 106 pages.

- 5. Intervenor and AT&T focus on different issues in their respective submissions, which Plaintiffs must now address in their single submission.

 Specifically, Intervenor focused on the effect of the state secrets privilege, while AT&T focused on issues of standing. Amici also submitted four additional briefs with a total of 98 more pages.
- 6. Plaintiffs-Appellees' proposed response brief is 90 pages, or 19,796 words, shorter than Intervenor's and AT&T's briefs combined. Pursuant to Circuit Rule 32-2, a sealed copy of Plaintiffs-Appellees' proposed brief accompanies the motion for leave to file an extended brief.
- 7. The issues raised by this case are complex, relating to weighty constitutional questions and to a complex statutory regime. Plaintiffs-Appellees allege that AT&T has engaged in a massive program of dragnet surveillance of electronic mail and telephone communications of its customers, in violation of multiple federal statutes governing electronic surveillance and the First and Fourth Amendments to the United States Constitution. On this appeal, the Government and AT&T have asked this Court to determine whether the Executive may invoke the state secrets privilege to have this case dismissed at its very inception, prior to any discovery or any hearing on the merits. Plaintiffs-Appellees request additional

space in order to adequately address the legal arguments presented by the Government and AT&T.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 23rd day of April, 2007, at San Francisco, California.

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