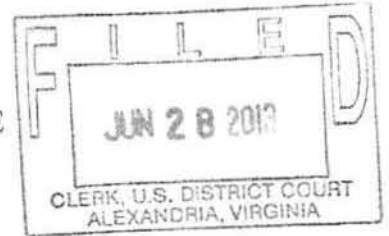


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

Alexandria Division



IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE) (Under Seal)
INSTALLATION AND USE OF A PEN)
REGISTER/TRAP AND TRACE DEVICE) 1:13 EC 297
ON AN ELECTRONIC MAIL ACCOUNT)

MOTION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER TO COMPEL

The United States, by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby requests the Court enter an Order directing Lavabit, LLC, to comply with the Court's June 28, 2013 Pen Register/Trap and Trace Order. In support of the motion the United States declares as follows:

1. On June 28, 2013, at approximately 4 p.m., this Court entered an Order pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123 authorizing the installation and use of a pen register and the use of a trap and trace device ("pen/trap device") on all electronic communications being sent from or sent to the electronic mail account [REDACTED]. That e-mail account is controlled by Lavabit, LLC.

2. In its Order, the Court found that the information to be collected by the pen/trap device would be relevant to an ongoing criminal investigation. In addition, the Court ordered Lavabit "shall furnish agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, forthwith, all information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the installation and use of the pen/trap device."

3. The Federal Bureau of Investigation served a copy of the Order on Lavabit that same afternoon. A representative of Lavabit stated that it could not provide the requested information because the user of the account had enabled Lavabit's encryption services, and thus

Lavabit would not provide the requested information. The representative of Lavabit indicated that Lavabit had the technical capability to decrypt the information but that Lavabit did not want to “defeat [its] own system.”

4. The representative of Lavabit did not comply with the Order, and indicated he first wanted to seek legal advice.

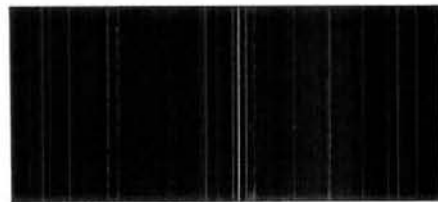
5. The Pen Register and Trap and Trace Act gives this Court the authority to order a provider to assist the government in the execution of a lawful pen register or trap and trace order, including by providing information. Section 3122 of Title 18, United States Code, provides in part: “An order issued under this section-- ... shall direct, upon the request of the applicant, the furnishing of information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the installation of the pen register or trap and trace device under section 3124 of this title.” Section 3124(a) provides, “Upon the request of an attorney for the Government or an officer of a law enforcement agency authorized to install and use a pen register under this chapter, a provider of wire or electronic communication service... shall furnish such investigative or law enforcement officer forthwith all information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the installation of the pen register unobtrusively and with a minimum of interference... if such

assistance is directed by a court order as provided in section 3123(b)(2) of this title." Section 3124(b) contains a similar provision governing trap and trace orders.

Wherefore, the United States requests an Order directing Lavabit to comply forthwith with the Court's June 28, 2013 Order.

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