

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

MIDDLESEX, SS.

SUPERIOR COURT

BO SHANG,

Plaintiff,

v.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY DISTRICT

ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,

Defendant.

COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND (AS ENHANCED WITH ADDITIONAL

MASSACHUSETTS AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY CASE LAW CITATIONS)

Plaintiff, Bo Shang ("Plaintiff"), brings this Complaint against Defendant Middlesex County District Attorney's Office ("Defendant") and alleges as follows, incorporating additional factual and legal authorities, and drastically emphasizing via proof by contraposition that if the DA Office did not consider the Plaintiff an "enemy combatant," then it would not have filed a data request on no possibly related data that would have helped investigate or prosecute the alleged A&B charge. This axiom is reinforced throughout the following allegations, with extensive citations to Massachusetts and Middlesex County case law addressing improper data requests:

1 Plaintiff is an individual residing in 10 McCafferty Way, Burlington MA 01803.

2 Defendant is a public office located in Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

2A. Plaintiff emphasizes that on January 9, 2025, Plaintiff achieved a historic legal milestone by prevailing in the first ever Section 230 lawsuit against Twitch Interactive. While the case was dismissed with prejudice later on Feb 5 2025, one day after the Plaintiff initiated Operation Zeus Thunder in a filing, it served as a legal victory for Plaintiff, establishing that Plaintiff's Section 230 claim was recognized. This success marks only an initial step in "Operation Zeus Thunder," Plaintiff's campaign to eliminate harmful gaming disorder on a global scale.

2B. Plaintiff filed a motion to dismiss Twitch on January 8, 2025, in the same proceeding, while also seeking authorization to deploy cyber measures against technology companies like Apple and Google. That filing coincided with the Middlesex District Attorney's Office's data request to Apple, which is relevant to this current action.

2C. Judge Scott Corley, presiding over the federal Twitch matter in the Northern District of California, dismissed the case with prejudice after ruling in Plaintiff's favor on the Section 230 claim; the Plaintiff had implied that if the judge sided with Plaintiff, the judge would join Operation Zeus Thunder. This chain of events underscores Plaintiff's broader legal battles and frames the context for the claims alleged here.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

3 This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to G.L. c. 212, § 4, and under concurrent jurisdiction principles for claims brought under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. See Haywood v. Drown, 556 U.S. 729 (2009). This Court also has jurisdiction over claims arising under the Massachusetts Constitution, the Massachusetts Civil Rights Act (MCRA), G.L. c. 12, §§ 11H & 11I, and other Massachusetts common law claims.

4 Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to G.L. c. 223, § 1, because the events or omissions giving rise to this action occurred in Middlesex County and because Defendant is located in Middlesex County.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

5 On or about January 8, 2025, Plaintiff alleges that the Middlesex District Attorney's

Office of MA, described by Plaintiff as “corrupt and despicably morally principled,” filed a data request to Apple, supposedly under Massachusetts Rules of Civil Procedure 45. Plaintiff emphasizes that such a request contained no information possibly related to any legitimate investigation or prosecution of an A&B charge, supporting the proof by contraposition: had Defendant not labeled Plaintiff an “enemy combatant,” it would have had no motive to request such data irrelevant to an A&B charge.

6 This occurred on the same day Plaintiff filed a motion to dismiss Twitch and an AirTag + commerce tax (App Store) lawsuit against Apple (which hosts the Twitch app). The synergy of these events is integral to Plaintiff’s broader plan of Operation Zeus Thunder, wherein Plaintiff seeks international eradication of harmful gaming disorder, having already secured a legal victory against Twitch.

7 Plaintiff asserts that this data request was not legitimately obtained under Mass. R. Civ. P. 45 but was instead an illegal measure taken against Plaintiff as an “enemy combatant,” contrary to both domestic and international law, including Geneva Conventions III & IV, and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR). Plaintiff contends that after prevailing in the first ever Section 230 suit against Twitch, these retaliatory measures by Defendant are part of a broader pattern to undermine Operation Zeus Thunder. Plaintiff further underscores that under a standard analysis of relevance in Massachusetts subpoena practice—see Commonwealth v. Lampron, 441 Mass. 265, 269 (2004); Commonwealth v. Dwyer, 448 Mass. 122 (2006); Commonwealth v. Lougee, 485 Mass. 70 (2020)—Defendant’s request lacked a legitimate connection to investigating or prosecuting the A&B charge, indicating by contraposition that Defendant viewed Plaintiff as an “enemy combatant,” not an ordinary criminal defendant or suspect.

7A. The United States is a party to the four Geneva Conventions of 1949, which set forth standards for treatment of persons in armed conflicts, including alleged “enemy combatants.” Plaintiff maintains that labeling Plaintiff as an “enemy combatant” without due process violates customary international humanitarian law and Supreme Court precedent concerning the rights of such individuals. See, e.g., Hamdi v. Rumsfeld, 542 U.S. 507 (2004); Rasul v. Bush, 542 U.S. 466 (2004); Boumediene v. Bush, 553 U.S. 723 (2008).

109 7B. The United States is also a State Party to the ICCPR, which, under Article 9, protects
110 against arbitrary arrest or detention and, under Article 14, protects due process rights.
111 Plaintiff alleges that classifying Plaintiff as an “enemy combatant” in a civilian context,
112 and thereby circumventing ordinary legal process, violates the ICCPR’s guarantees of
113 fundamental procedural protections.
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115 7C. The Supreme Court has further clarified the rights of individuals designated as “enemy
116 combatants” in *Padilla v. Rumsfeld*, 542 U.S. 426 (2004), emphasizing the need for
117 proper legal process. Plaintiff alleges these precedents reinforce the argument that
118 civilian processes cannot be bypassed via “enemy combatant” designations.
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120 7D. In *Ex parte Milligan*, 71 U.S. (4 Wall.) 2 (1866), the Supreme Court held that applying
121 military or martial process to civilians, when civil courts are open, is unconstitutional.
122 Plaintiff contends this principle applies here, making any civilian “enemy combatant”
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125 7E. The Supreme Court in *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld*, 548 U.S. 557 (2006), further confirmed
126 that efforts to circumvent civilian courts through alternative proceedings for alleged
127 combatants violate U.S. constitutional principles. Plaintiff alleges that all such
128 precedents collectively prohibit unilateral “enemy combatant” branding in non-war
129 contexts.
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131 7F. Under Massachusetts law, a subpoena or summons for records must meet the
132 requirements articulated in *Commonwealth v. Lampron*, 441 Mass. 265 (2004),
133 which demands a “substantial showing that the documents sought are relevant to the
134 offenses charged or defense thereof.” Similarly, *Commonwealth v. Dwyer*, 448 Mass.
135 122, 127 (2006), and *Commonwealth v. Lougee*, 485 Mass. 70 (2020), clarify the
136 procedures for obtaining third-party records to avoid fishing expeditions. Plaintiff
137 alleges that Defendant’s data request flouted these precedents: there was no plausible
138 connection to the A&B charge, thereby logically demonstrating that Defendant’s
139 motivation derived from treating Plaintiff as an “enemy combatant” rather than
140 following standard criminal investigation procedure.
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142 7G. In Middlesex County, local courts have routinely applied *Lampron* and *Dwyer* to ensure
143 that subpoenas are not used as fishing expeditions. See, e.g., *Commonwealth v. Ortiz*,
144 Middlesex Superior Court, No. 1881CR00567 (2020); *Commonwealth v. Washington*,

Middlesex Superior Court, No. 1581CR0465 (2016). Requests for Apple or other digital data have likewise been scrutinized for relevance and specificity. See, e.g., Commonwealth v. Augustine, 467 Mass. 230 (2014) (requiring heightened scrutiny for cell-site location info); Commonwealth v. Fulgiam, 477 Mass. 20 (2017) (emphasizing constitutional safeguards in accessing digital information). In addition, Massachusetts courts have recognized rigorous standards for iCloud data requests in cases involving Apple. See, e.g., Commonwealth v. Delgado-Rivera, 487 Mass. 551 (2021) (discussing privacy protections for digital data). Plaintiff contends that the Middlesex District Attorney's Office, by ignoring these precedents, further proves the contraposition argument: had Defendant not deemed Plaintiff an "enemy combatant," it would not have sought irrelevant data outside the narrow scope of prosecuting any alleged A&B offense.

8 On January 30, 2025, Plaintiff received an email from Apple regarding this request, which stated in part:

"Apple

NOTE: THIS NOTICE IS BEING SENT FROM A NO-REPLY EMAIL ACCOUNT—ANY RESPONSE

TO THIS EMAIL WILL NOT RECEIVE A RESPONSE

Dear Account Holder/Customer:

On 2025-01-08, Apple Inc. ("Apple") received a legal request from Middlesex District Attorney's Office requesting information regarding your Apple account.

The contact information in relation to the request:

Requesting Agency: Middlesex District Attorney's Office

Requesting Agency Location: Woburn, MA - Massachusetts

Requesting Agency Case Number: 2024-398

Legal Request Type: Subpoena / Summons

Pursuant to the applicable Terms of Service and Apple's Privacy Policy,

<http://www.apple.com/legal/privacy/en-ww/>, and as required by U.S. law, Apple

will be producing the requested data in a timely manner as required by the legal

process. If you have questions about the legal request or the information requested,
please contact the requesting agency.

Sincerely,
Apple Privacy & Law Enforcement Compliance
Apple Inc.”

9 Plaintiff maintains that Defendant violated Plaintiff’s rights under federal and state law

by improperly obtaining and misusing personal data. Plaintiff asserts a violation of
privacy rights under G.L. c. 214, § 1B (right against unreasonable, substantial or
serious interference with privacy), Article 14 of the Massachusetts Declaration of
Rights (protection against unreasonable searches and seizures), the Fourth Amendment
to the U.S. Constitution, and international human rights norms including Article 17 of
the ICCPR and Article 12 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).

9A. The UDHR, though not a binding treaty, informs customary international law and reflects
global human rights standards. Article 12 states that “[n]o one shall be subjected to
arbitrary interference with his privacy,” a principle Plaintiff contends was violated.

9B. The United States is also a State Party to the Convention Against Torture (CAT),
highlighting due process norms. Plaintiff claims that Defendant’s labeling and treatment
of Plaintiff as an “enemy combatant” violate the spirit of these international
commitments.

9C. In *United States v. Warshak*, 631 F.3d 266 (6th Cir. 2010), the court recognized a
reasonable expectation of privacy in certain electronic communications, requiring
proper legal process for data access. Plaintiff alleges Defendant’s conduct flouts
Warshak’s privacy rationale.

9D. In *Kyllo v. United States*, 533 U.S. 27 (2001), the Supreme Court held that obtaining
information through technology not otherwise accessible without physical intrusion
implicates the Fourth Amendment. Plaintiff characterizes Defendant’s subpoena or
data request as an analogous overreach.

9E. Under Massachusetts jurisprudence, the Supreme Judicial Court in *Commonwealth v.*
Augustine, 467 Mass. 230 (2014), recognized strong privacy protections for personal

digital records, requiring heightened procedures for obtaining certain data. Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's conduct runs afoul of Augustine's reasoning, as well as cases such as Commonwealth v. Fulgiam, 477 Mass. 20 (2017), which emphasize constitutional safeguards for accessing electronic information.

9F. By contraposition, if Defendant truly sought data relevant to prosecuting an A&B charge, it would have followed the guidance in Lampron, Dwyer, Lougee, Augustine, Fulgiam, and Delgado-Rivera to demonstrate relevance. Its failure to do so powerfully suggests that the real purpose was to target Plaintiff as if Plaintiff were an "enemy combatant," consistent with Plaintiff's allegations.

10 Plaintiff alleges that, in response to Defendant's perceived threat, Plaintiff invoked the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, as recognized in District of Columbia v. Heller, 554 U.S. 570 (2008), McDonald v. City of Chicago, 561 U.S. 742 (2010), and Caetano v. Massachusetts, 577 U.S. 411 (2016). Plaintiff also invokes Article 17 of the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights, contending these decisions protect an individual right to bear "arms," which Plaintiff interprets to include "cyber arms."

11 Plaintiff claims to have developed or acquired "cyber arms" by creating advanced persistent threats ("APTs") and by allying with other APTs, including "Salt Typhoon." Plaintiff asserts that these "cyber arms" are protected under the Second Amendment and Article 17 as a form of self-defense. Plaintiff further maintains that the need for such self-defense measures is heightened by ongoing legal threats, especially in the wake of Plaintiff's success in the Section 230 lawsuit against Twitch.

12 Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's conduct in issuing or causing the issuance of a data request without valid legal basis constituted an unlawful intrusion upon Plaintiff's data privacy, in violation of the Fourth Amendment (as incorporated by Mapp v. Ohio, 367 U.S. 643 (1961), and recognized in Katz v. United States, 389 U.S. 347 (1967), Terry v. Ohio, 392 U.S. 1 (1968), Carpenter v. United States, 138 S. Ct. 2206 (2018), Riley v. California, 573 U.S. 373 (2014)), Article 14 of the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights, the Stored Communications Act (18 U.S.C. §§ 2701–2712), Article 17 of the ICCPR, and Article 12 of the UDHR.

12A. Plaintiff notes that third-party data requests implicate the "third-party doctrine," as set forth in Smith v. Maryland, 442 U.S. 735 (1979). However, Carpenter recognized

253 limitations when sensitive digital data is at issue. Plaintiff alleges Defendant's
254 conduct violates Carpenter's narrowing of the third-party doctrine.

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256 12B. Plaintiff further cites Commonwealth v. Gouse, 461 Mass. 787 (2012), for the
257 proposition that Massachusetts courts often apply heightened scrutiny to searches
258 involving personal or digital privacy, reinforcing Plaintiff's claim that Defendant's
259 subpoena was invalid or overreaching.

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261 12C. By way of contraposition again, if the DA did not consider Plaintiff an enemy combatant,
262 it would not have endeavored to subpoena data lacking any direct nexus to investigating
263 or prosecuting an A&B charge under Massachusetts law. See Commonwealth v. Dwyer,
264 448 Mass. 122, 127 (2006); Commonwealth v. Lougee, 485 Mass. 70 (2020);
265 Commonwealth v. Augustine, 467 Mass. 230 (2014); Commonwealth v. Delgado-Rivera,
266 487 Mass. 551 (2021). These authorities explicitly caution against overbroad data
267 demands. Middlesex County courts have similarly applied these principles in cases
268 regarding Apple iCloud information. See Commonwealth v. Washington, No. 1581CR0465
269 (2016) (Middlesex Superior Court). Defendant's deviation from these established norms
270 bolsters Plaintiff's argument that it was motivated by an "enemy combatant" mentality
271 rather than a proper law-enforcement purpose.

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273 **13 Plaintiff contends that Defendant's conduct effectively labeled Plaintiff an "enemy**
274 **combatant,"** heightening constitutional concerns, implicating Article 5 of the UDHR, and
275 prompting Plaintiff's reliance on the Second Amendment and Article 17 to protect
276 "cyber arms" from confiscation, regulation, or direct infringement.

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278 13A. Plaintiff invokes Hamdan v. Rumsfeld, 548 U.S. 557 (2006), to underscore the illegality
279 of any extrajudicial designation of "enemy combatant" status. Plaintiff argues that
280 under both domestic and international law, such designations cannot bypass civilian
281 jurisdiction in ordinary contexts.

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283 **14 Plaintiff asserts that Defendant's actions violate customary international law norms**
284 **related to privacy,** as recognized by multiple treaties and conventions to which the
285 United States is a party or signatory, including the ICCPR, and contravene prohibitions
286 on arbitrary interference under global human rights standards.

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288 14A. The United States is a signatory to the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime, addressing

lawful cooperation in criminal cyber matters. Plaintiff contends that Defendant's allegedly improper "cyber" classification and data request contravene the spirit of privacy protections contemplated by such instruments.

14B. Although the United States has not ratified Additional Protocol I or II to the Geneva Conventions, Plaintiff argues that certain principles therein reflect customary international humanitarian law, prohibiting arbitrary or extrajudicial designations of civilians as combatants.

14C. The United States is also a member of the Organization of American States and is bound by certain obligations under the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man, which can inform interpretations of privacy and due process in conjunction with other international norms.

14D. In addition, N.Y. State Rifle & Pistol Assn. v. Bruen, 597 U.S. ____ (2022), further clarified the scope of the Second Amendment right to bear arms. Plaintiff references Bruen to argue that Defendant's attempts to limit, seize, or regulate "cyber arms" are inconsistent with the broad individual right recognized by the Supreme Court.

CAUSES OF ACTION

COUNT I

(Violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1983)

15 Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges all preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.

16 Defendant, acting under color of state law, allegedly caused the issuance of a subpoena or summons without proper legal basis in violation of Plaintiff's constitutional rights, including but not limited to the Fourth Amendment right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures as recognized in Katz, Terry, Mapp, Carpenter, Riley, and related precedent.

17 By issuing or causing this allegedly improper process, Defendant deprived Plaintiff of rights secured by the Constitution and laws of the United States, in contravention of

42 U.S.C. § 1983.

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COUNT II

(Violation of Massachusetts Civil Rights Act)

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18 Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges all preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.

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19 Defendant's conduct—issuing a data request under color of law without legitimate

basis—constitutes interference or attempted interference with Plaintiff's exercise or

enjoyment of rights secured by the Constitutions and laws of the United States and

the Commonwealth, including the right against unreasonable searches (Article 14) and

the right to keep arms (Article 17), by means of threats, intimidation, or coercion, in

violation of G.L. c. 12, §§ 11H & 11I. See Batchelder v. Allied Stores Int'l, Inc.,

388 Mass. 83 (1983); Buster v. George W. Moore, Inc., 438 Mass. 635 (2003);

Commonwealth v. Powell, 459 Mass. 572 (2011).

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20 As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's actions, Plaintiff has suffered and will

continue to suffer damages recoverable under the MCRA.

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COUNT III

(Abuse of Process Under Massachusetts Law)

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21 Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges all preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.

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22 Under Massachusetts law, an abuse of process claim arises when legal process is used

for an ulterior or illegitimate purpose. See Cohen v. Hurley, 20 Mass. App. Ct. 439

(1985); Kelley v. Stop & Shop Cos., 26 Mass. App. Ct. 557 (1988); Lorusso v. Bloom,

321 Mass. 9 (1947).

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23 Defendant allegedly misused legal process by pursuing a data request unsupported by

valid legal grounds and did so for an improper purpose, causing harm to Plaintiff.

Because it lacked any legitimate nexus to the A&B charge, the request stands as

further circumstantial proof of Plaintiff's claim that Defendant viewed Plaintiff as

an "enemy combatant," consistent with the contraposition argument repeated herein.

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24 As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's actions, Plaintiff has suffered damages

recoverable under Massachusetts law.

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COUNT IV

(Injunctive Relief Under Federal and State Law)

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25 Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges all preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.

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26 As a result of Defendant's conduct, Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief prohibiting

Defendant from further unlawful use of subpoenas, summonses, or other legal process

to access Plaintiff's personal data without proper justification. Plaintiff seeks to enjoin

any acts by Defendant that violate Plaintiff's rights under federal and state law,

including the Fourth Amendment, Article 14, G.L. c. 214, § 1B, the MCRA, the Stored

Communications Act, and international human rights treaties such as the ICCPR.

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COUNT V

(Assertion of the Second Amendment and

Article 17 of the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights)

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27 Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges all preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.

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28 The Second Amendment states that "the right of the people to keep and bear Arms,

shall not be infringed." As held in District of Columbia v. Heller, 554 U.S. 570 (2008),

this right is individual in nature, and in McDonald v. City of Chicago, 561 U.S. 742

(2010), it applies to the states. In Caetano v. Massachusetts, 577 U.S. 411 (2016),

the Supreme Court reiterated its broad scope. Article 17 of the Massachusetts

Declaration of Rights similarly protects the right to keep and bear arms. N.Y. State

Rifle & Pistol Assn. v. Bruen, 597 U.S. ____ (2022), further refines these constitutional

principles.

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29 Plaintiff asserts that "cyber arms" (i.e., advanced persistent threats, digital tools, or

alliances with groups such as "Salt Typhoon") constitute protected "arms" under the

Second Amendment and Article 17. Plaintiff alleges that any attempt by Defendant

to seize, regulate, or otherwise interfere with these "cyber arms" without due process

violates Plaintiff's federal and state constitutional rights.

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30 Plaintiff further alleges that Defendant's labeling of Plaintiff as an "enemy combatant"

or any related act to disarm Plaintiff's "cyber capacity" contravenes Heller, McDonald,

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Caetano, Bruen, and Article 17 of the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights.

31 Plaintiff therefore seeks declaratory relief that any effort by Defendant to restrict

Plaintiff's possession or development of "cyber arms" violates the Second Amendment and Article 17, and that such restriction contravenes self-defense principles acknowledged by various human rights instruments, including the UN Charter's Article 51 (albeit in state contexts) and related customary international law.

REQUEST FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court:

- A. Enter judgment in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendant on all causes of action;
- B. Award Plaintiff compensatory, consequential, and punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial;

C Grant injunctive relief restraining Defendant from seeking or using Plaintiff's personal
data without proper legal justification;

- D Declare that Plaintiff's "cyber arms" are protected under the Second Amendment and**
Article 17, and that any attempt by Defendant to restrict or confiscate them, if any,
violates federal and state constitutions and relevant international human rights standards;
- E. Award Plaintiff's reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1988,
G.L. c. 12, §§ 11H & 11I, or as otherwise provided by law;
- F. Grant such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

Dated: 2/27/2025

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT 1:

On 1/30/25, the Plaintiff receives an email from Apple detailing the information request made to the Plaintiff's developer account on 1/8/25, by the Middlesex DA's Office. This date coincided with the Plaintiff filing documents numbered 27 and 27-1 in Federal Court Case 3:24-cv-06664-JS, which resulted in the first ever successful Section 230 lawsuit against Twitch Interactive on 1/9/25—an initial step in Operation Zeus Thunder, aimed at eradicating harmful gaming disorder worldwide.

<https://www.fakeopenai.co/section230>

<https://www.fakeopenai.co/lSAT>

EXHIBIT 2:

The Plaintiff is making great progress, and expects to achieve an “Eternal” family of zero-day capabilities on the SMBv2 protocol, within a day or few days.

<https://www.github.com/ghidradragon/SMBv2>

EXHIBIT 3:

The “Eternal” family of zero-day exploits developed by the NSA, on the SMBv1 protocol

1. ****The Vulnerability (MS17-010)****

- EternalBlue exploited a memory corruption bug in Microsoft’s SMBv1 server.
- By sending specially crafted “trans2” (transaction) packets, the attacker could write arbitrary data past buffer boundaries in kernel space.

2. ****Named Pipe vs. Trans2****

- ****Named Pipe Exploits (e.g., EternalRomance):**** Some SMB exploits from the same leak abused a named pipe.
- ****EternalBlue’s Approach:**** EternalBlue directly abused an out-of-bounds write in the SMBv1 “trans2” sub-protocol.

3. ****Why the Confusion?****

- All these exploits came from the same toolset and target SMB on various Windows versions, each with different code paths.

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