

a good-faith exception for evidence seized without a warrant, although there is some language broad enough to apply to warrantless seizures.⁴⁸³ It is also unclear what a good-faith exception would mean in the context of a warrantless search, because the objective reasonableness of an officer's action in proceeding without a warrant is already taken into account in determining whether there has been a Fourth Amendment violation.⁴⁸⁴ The Court's increasing willingness to uphold warrantless searches as not "unreasonable" under the Fourth Amendment, however, may reduce the frequency with which the good-faith issue arises in the context of the exclusionary rule.⁴⁸⁵

Operation of the Rule: Standing.—The Court for a long period followed a rule of "standing" by which it determined whether a party was the appropriate person to move to suppress allegedly illegal evidence. Akin to Article III justiciability principles, which emphasize that one may ordinarily contest only those government actions that harm him, the standing principle in Fourth Amendment cases "require[d] of one who seeks to challenge the legality of a search as the basis for suppressing relevant evidence that he allege, and if the allegation be disputed that he establish, that he himself was the victim of an invasion of privacy."⁴⁸⁶ Subsequently,

⁴⁸³ The thrust of the analysis in *Leon* was with the reasonableness of reliance on a warrant. The Court several times, however, used language broad enough to apply to warrantless searches as well. See, e.g., 468 U.S. at 909 (quoting Justice White's concurrence in *Illinois v. Gates*): "the balancing approach that has evolved . . . 'forcefully suggest[s] that the exclusionary rule be more generally modified to permit the introduction of evidence obtained in the reasonable good-faith belief that a search or seizure was in accord with the Fourth Amendment'; and id. at 919: "[the rule] cannot be expected, and should not be applied, to deter objectively reasonable law enforcement activity."

⁴⁸⁴ See Yale Kamisar, *Gates, 'Probable Cause', 'Good Faith', and Beyond*, 69 IOWA L. REV. 551, 589 (1984) (imposition of a good-faith exception on top of the "already diluted" standard for validity of a warrant "would amount to double dilution").

⁴⁸⁵ See, e.g., *Illinois v. Rodriguez*, 497 U.S. 177 (1990) (upholding search premised on officer's reasonable but mistaken belief that a third party had common authority over premises and could consent to search); *Schneekloth v. Bustamonte*, 412 U.S. 218 (1973) (no requirement of knowing and intelligent waiver in consenting to warrantless search); *New York v. Belton*, 453 U.S. 454 (1981) (upholding warrantless search of entire interior of passenger car, including closed containers, as incident to arrest of driver); *Arizona v. Gant*, 556 U.S. ___, No. 07-542 (U.S. Apr. 21 (2009), slip op. at 18 (the *Belton* rule applies "only if the arrestee is within reaching distance of the passenger compartment at the time of the search or it is reasonable to believe that the vehicle contains evidence of the offense of arrest"); *United States v. Ross*, 456 U.S. 798 (1982) (upholding warrantless search of movable container found in a locked car trunk).

⁴⁸⁶ *Jones v. United States*, 362 U.S. 257, 261 (1960). That is, the movant must show that he was "a victim of search or seizure, one against whom the search was directed, as distinguished from one who claims prejudice only through the use of evidence gathered as a consequence of search or seizure directed at someone else." Id. See *Alderman v. United States*, 394 U.S. 165, 174 (1969).