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SUPERIOR COURT DEPARTMENT
OF THE TRIAL COURT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS *

Plaintiff *

v. * DOCKET NUMBER 0979CR00097

LIZARDO LEE VEGA *

Defendant *

HEARING

BEFORE THE HONORABLE RICHARD J. CAREY

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1 last week, but in the period of time that I have been at the
2 Attorney General' Office which is the beginning of 2015 on,
3 there have been numerous train -- trainings, both criminal
4 discovery trainings and ethical -- ethics training. But in
5 addition, the policy at the Attorney General's Office in
6 regard to discovery is that if the line AG makes the decision
7 that something should not be turned over to the defendant, the
8 policy is that they have that discussion with their division
9 chiefs. And if that division chief agrees with that decision,
10 then the policy is that they have to speak to me about it.

11 I would submit to you that with this very limiting
12 circumstances by Bridgeman, that the only reason to do this is
13 to create this climate so it never happens again, you do not
14 have to do here because we have created a climate such that it
15 will never happen again at the Attorney General's Office.

16 Your Honor, I'm not going to spend -- I won't spend any
17 time on the facts. I think you have the facts in front of
18 you. You've heard from Mr. Ryan. You know what our position
19 is, particularly about the conversation between Elaine
20 Pourinski and -- and with Anne Kaczmarek that I spoke about
21 the other day, so I won't repeat that.

22 And then also about the willingness of Ms. Kaczmarek to
23 expand this investigation. Mr. Ryan had just said the proffer
24 was a labor saver, and I get the logic of that, but what he's
25 not accounting for as well are the emails in the beginning of