



*State of New York
Court of Appeals*

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NOTICE TO THE BAR

Amicus Curiae Participation

On May 17, 2004, Judge Albert M. Rosenblatt granted leave to appeal to the People in People v Jason Williams, which raises the issue whether suppression is the appropriate remedy when a peace officer acts outside his geographic jurisdiction and uncovers incriminating evidence. A Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority (BMHA) officer found crack cocaine on defendant in the course of a traffic stop on a street adjacent to a BMHA housing project. Supreme Court suppressed all physical evidence seized and any statements made by defendant. The Appellate Division, Fourth Department, affirmed (4 AD3d 848 [2004]). Defendant has not filed a brief in the Court of Appeals.

Oral argument is scheduled for April 14, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. and will be held at the Erie County Court, Old County Hall, 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York.

The Court invites amicus curiae participation by those qualified and interested. The Court may invite an amicus to present oral argument.

Amicus motions must comply with section 500.11(e) of the Rules of the Court of Appeals. The text of the Rule is available on the Court's internet web site at:

<http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/appeals/500rules.htm#500.11>.

Questions may be directed by telephone to the Clerk's office at (518) 455-7705.

April 1, 2005

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