



A CONVERSATION WITH

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OPSAHL**

OF THE

**ELECTRONIC
FRONTIER
FOUNDATION**

ABOUT

NATIONAL SECURITY LETTERS

HOSTED AND MODERATED BY CYBERLAW CLINIC MANAGING DIRECTOR CHRISTOPHER BAVITZ

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, WCC 3019

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

SEVERAL FEDERAL STATUTES AUTHORIZE THE FBI TO ISSUE NATIONAL SECURITY LETTERS -- ADMINISTRATIVE SUBPOENAS THAT REQUIRE COMPANIES TO DISCLOSE CUSTOMER INFORMATION RELEVANT TO NATIONAL SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS. IN MARCH 2013, THE US DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CA HELD THAT GAG ORDER PROVISIONS IN THE NSL STATUTE VIOLATED THE FIRST AMENDMENT AND THAT JUDICIAL REVIEW PROCEDURES VIOLATED SEPARATION OF POWERS, DECLARING THE ENTIRE STATUTE UNCONSTITUTIONAL. ON APPEAL TO THE NINTH CIRCUIT, THE UNNAMED ISPs CHALLENGING THE STATUTE ARE REPRESENTED BY THE ELECTRONIC FRONTIER FOUNDATION. KURT OPSAHL, A BERKMAN CENTER AFFILIATE AND EFF ATTORNEY WHO IS ARGUING THE NSL APPEAL, WILL EXPLORE THESE ISSUES IN AN INTERACTIVE FORMAT.

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