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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a Washington corporation,

Plaintiff,

v.

DOMINIQUE ALEXANDER PIATTI, an individual, DOTFREE GROUP S.R.O., a Czech limited liability company and JOHN DOES 1-22, CONTROLLING A COMPUTER BOTNET THEREBY INJURING MICROSOFT AND ITS CUSTOMERS

Defendants.

Civil Action No: 1:11-cv-1017 (JCC/IDD)

[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING LIMITED AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT DISCOVERY NECESSARY TO IDENTIFY AND SERVE DOE DEFENDANTS

This matter having been fully briefed, and the Court being fully apprised of the facts and law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED under Rule 26(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that Microsoft's Motion for Limited Authority to Conduct Discovery Necessary to Identify and Serve Defendants is HEREBY GRANTED. Such authority shall include the following:

Microsoft may serve discovery upon third-party Internet service providers and other companies likely to have information that could aid in the identification of the Doe Defendants.

Microsoft shall have until 90 days from the date of this Order to conduct discovery necessary to identify and serve the Doe Defendants.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Entered this 25th day of October, 2011.

/s/
James C. Cacheris
United States District Judge

United States District Court Judge