

Entrusting the Fourth Amendment to the Dogs: Canine Evidence and the Constitution

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Florida v. Jardines and *Florida v. Harris* raise fundamental privacy questions about the true sanctity of one's home and law enforcement's use of enhanced searching technologies. Whether travelling through public airports, Amtrak train stations, subway stations, or simply walking down the street, each of us is subject to law enforcement using a dog to sniff our person and our belongings. These cases will have a substantial effect on the way law enforcement can use dogs and other technologies to conduct searches in the future.

WilmerHale Partner Danielle Spinelli was a featured panelist at this National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) event, featuring and a panel of privacy and Fourth Amendment authorities. The panel discussed the implications of two cases argued before the Supreme Court on October 31, 2012, challenging law enforcement use of drug detection dogs. The discussion was broadcast on C-SPAN 3, and followed by a live demonstration with a handler and a trained drug sniffing dog.

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