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WASHINGTON, Nov. 8 (A)

—The United States Court of Appeals rejected today as "neither just nor reasonable" the ban by the Bell system against attachment to its telephones of any device "not furnished by the Telephone Company.

The court said it was an "unwarranted interference with the telephone subscriber's right reasonably to use his telephone in ways which are privately beneficial without being publicly detrimental."

It was a victory for Hush-a-Phone Corporation, which manufactures a cup-like device that snaps on the telephone equipment. The court said the device provided privacy in conversation.

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