

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

BRANDON SODERBERG, *et al.*, *

Plaintiffs, *

v. * Civil No. RDB-19-1559

HON. AUDREY J. S. CARRIÓN, *et al.*, *

Defendants. *

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ORDER

For the reasons set forth in the accompanying memorandum opinion, it is this 9th day of December, 2022, hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. Plaintiffs’ Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 71) is **GRANTED**;
2. Defendants’ Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 72) is **DENIED**;
3. Section 1-201 of the Criminal Procedure Article of the Maryland Code is declared unconstitutional as applied to lawfully obtained audio or video recordings;
4. Plaintiffs may not be held in contempt (or otherwise subject to state sanction) for broadcasting or distributing any lawfully obtained audio or video recordings of criminal trial proceedings held in open court, including:
 - (a) posting such recordings online;
 - (b) including such recordings in any films;
 - (c) playing such recordings at public events;
 - (d) sharing such recordings over social media; and/or
 - (e) including such recordings on podcasts.

5. **JUDGMENT IS ENTERED** in favored of the Plaintiffs; and
6. The Clerk is directed to **CLOSE** this case.

Dated: December 9, 2022

_____/s/_____
Richard D. Bennett
United States Senior District Judge