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Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE JOHN PAUL STEVENS

November 1, 1982

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MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE

Re: 81-430 - Illinois v. Gates

If the Court does finally conclude that an additional hour of oral argument is necessary in order to dispose of this case, I move that the parties be requested to address the following question (in addition to whatever other questions the Court frames):

"Assuming, arguendo, that the warrant was invalid because it was not supported by probable cause at the time it was issued, was there nevertheless probable cause to search the vehicle after it returned from Florida, so that a warrantless search was justified under the Court's holding in Ross v. United States, ___ U.S. ___?"

Respectfully,

