



## Speaker Bios:



**Mark Klein** is a retired AT&T telecommunications technician who worked just prior to his retirement in the AT&T facility at 611 Folsom Street, San Francisco. When news reports of the government's warrantless surveillance program surfaced in December, 2005, he realized that he had been witness to, and participated in setting up, a massive, untargeted spying program that violated the rights of millions of Americans. Klein brought his evidence to the Electronic Frontier Foundation in early 2006 — including over a hundred pages of authenticated AT&T schematic diagrams and tables detailing how AT&T diverted its customers' communications to a room controlled by the National Security Agency with sophisticated equipment inside capable of analyzing millions of customer internet activities and emails in real time. Mr. Klein worked for AT&T for more than 22 years before retiring in 2004. He lives in the San Francisco Bay Area.



**Brian Reid** is a network systems and infrastructure expert, involved in the development of critical technologies at the foundation of the Internet. Reid is currently the Director of Engineering and Technical Operations at Internet Systems Consortium, a non-profit organization devoted to supporting a non-proprietary Internet. During his long and distinguished career, Mr. Reid has worked at Google, Bell Labs, and Digital Equipment Corp, and was a professor at Stanford University and Carnegie Mellon University West. Reid was awarded the Presidential Young Investigator award in 1984, and received the ACM Grace Murray Hopper Award in 1982.



**Cindy Cohn** is the Legal Director of the Electronic Frontier Foundation. She co-chair of the Executive Committee of the combined litigation challenging the NSA warrantless wiretapping, called *In re NSA Telecommunications Records Litigation*. Ms. Cohn is also plaintiffs' counsel in EFF's case, *Hepting v. AT&T*, which was the first such lawsuit brought by customers against a telecommunications company for facilitating the illegal dragnet spying of ordinary Americans. The *National Law Journal* named Ms. Cohn one of 100 most influential lawyers in America in 2006 for "rushing to the barricades wherever freedom and civil liberties are at stake online." In 2007, the *Journal* named her one of the 50 most influential women lawyers in America.



**Kevin Bankston** is a Staff Attorney at the Electronic Frontier Foundation. He was the first to meet with whistleblower Mark Klein when he came forward with his evidence of illegal spying in 2005, and is plaintiffs' counsel in *Hepting v. AT&T* — the first class-action lawsuit filed against a telecommunications company for its role in illegally spying on millions of Americans. Mr. Bankston specializes in free speech and privacy law.

**The Electronic Frontier Foundation** is the leading civil liberties organization working to protect rights in the digital world. EFF represents the AT&T customer plaintiffs in *Hepting v. AT&T* — the first lawsuit filed against a telecommunications company for its role in illegally spying on millions of Americans. EFF is a leader in the combined litigation challenging the NSA warrantless wiretapping. Founded in 1990, EFF blends the expertise of lawyers, policy analysts, activists, and technologists, achieving significant victories on behalf of consumers and the general public. EFF is a non-profit, member-supported organization.

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