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In the Supreme Court of the United States

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC., PETITIONER

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The United States and the Federal Trade Commission will address the following question presented:

Whether, in reversing the dismissal of a complaint for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted under Section 2 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. 2, the court of appeals erred by relying on a standard of liability that does not require predatory or exclusionary conduct.

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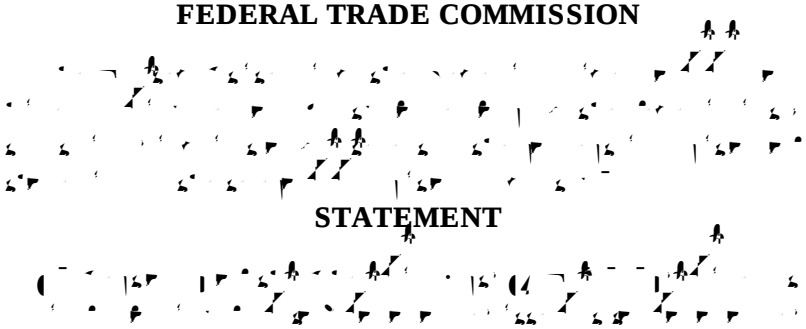

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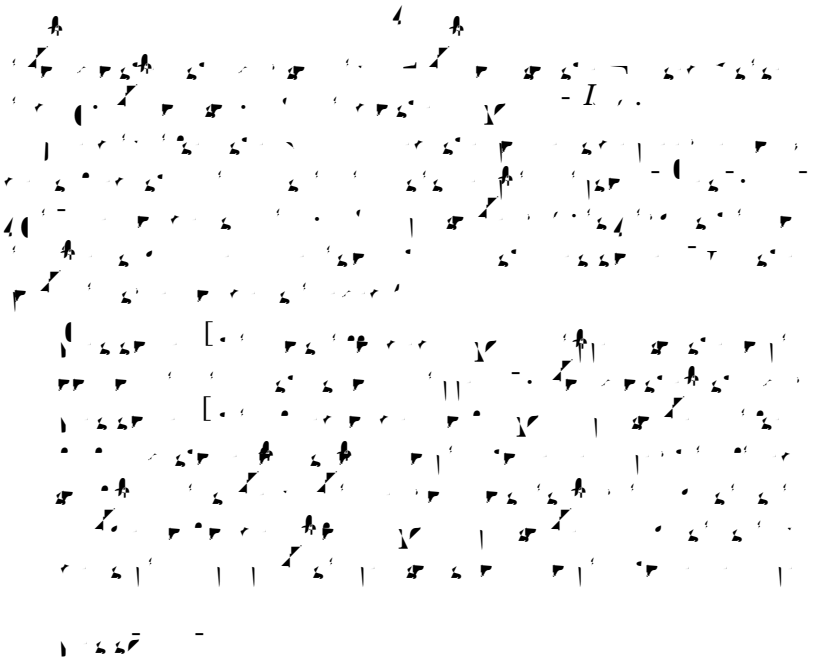

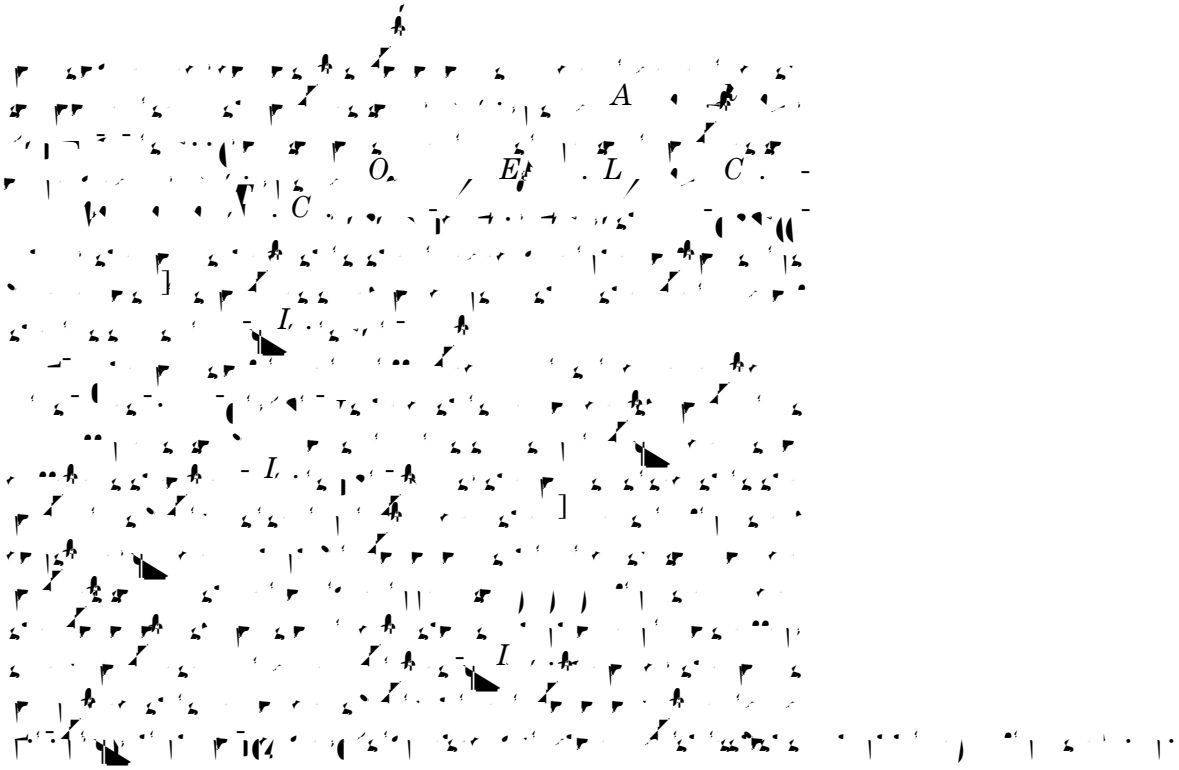

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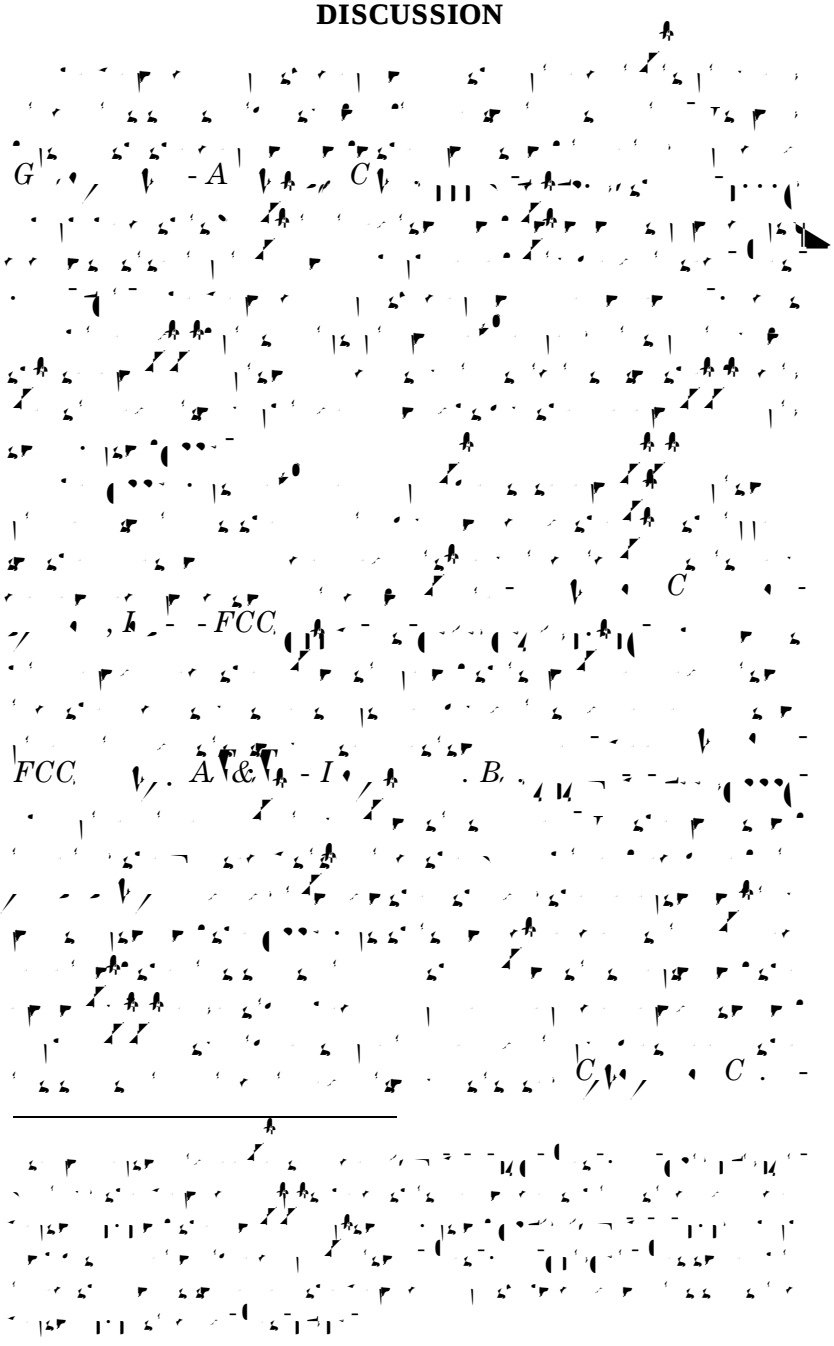

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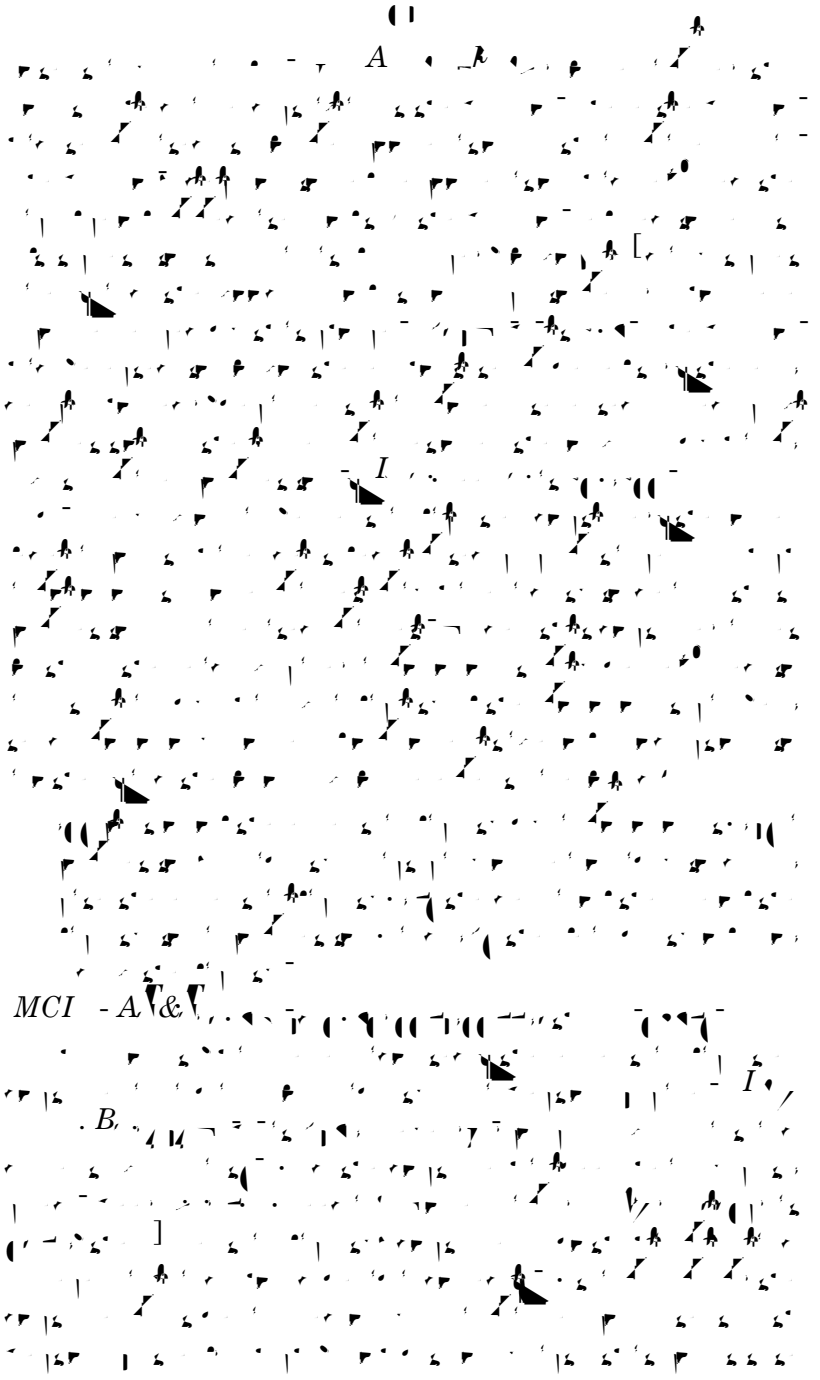

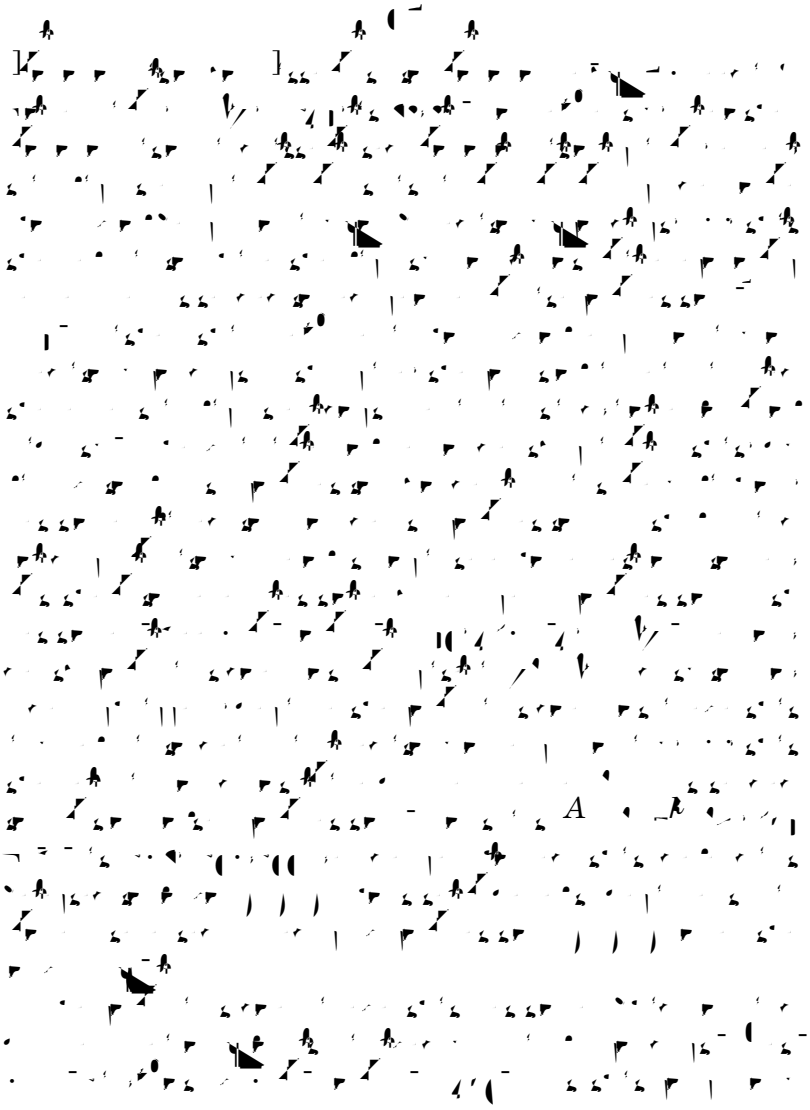

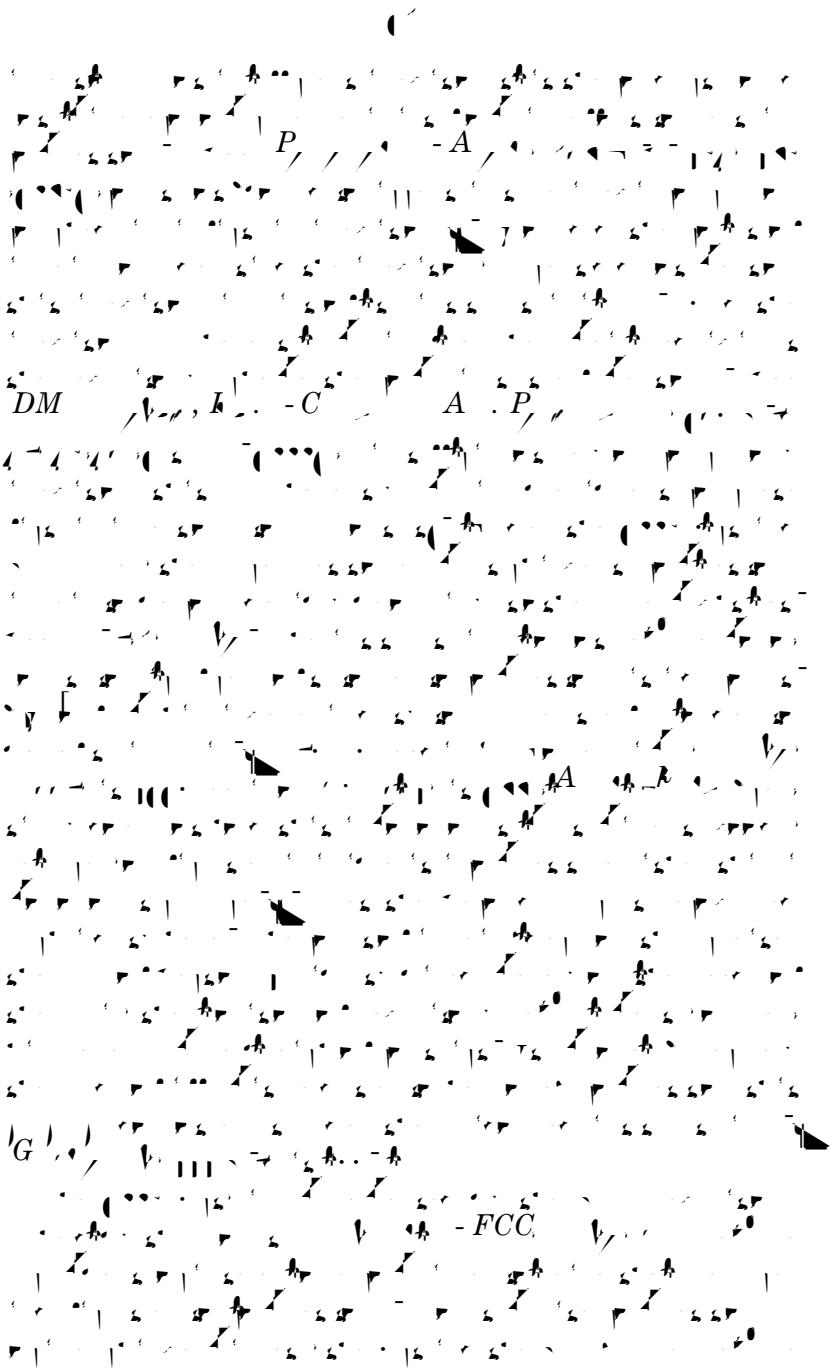

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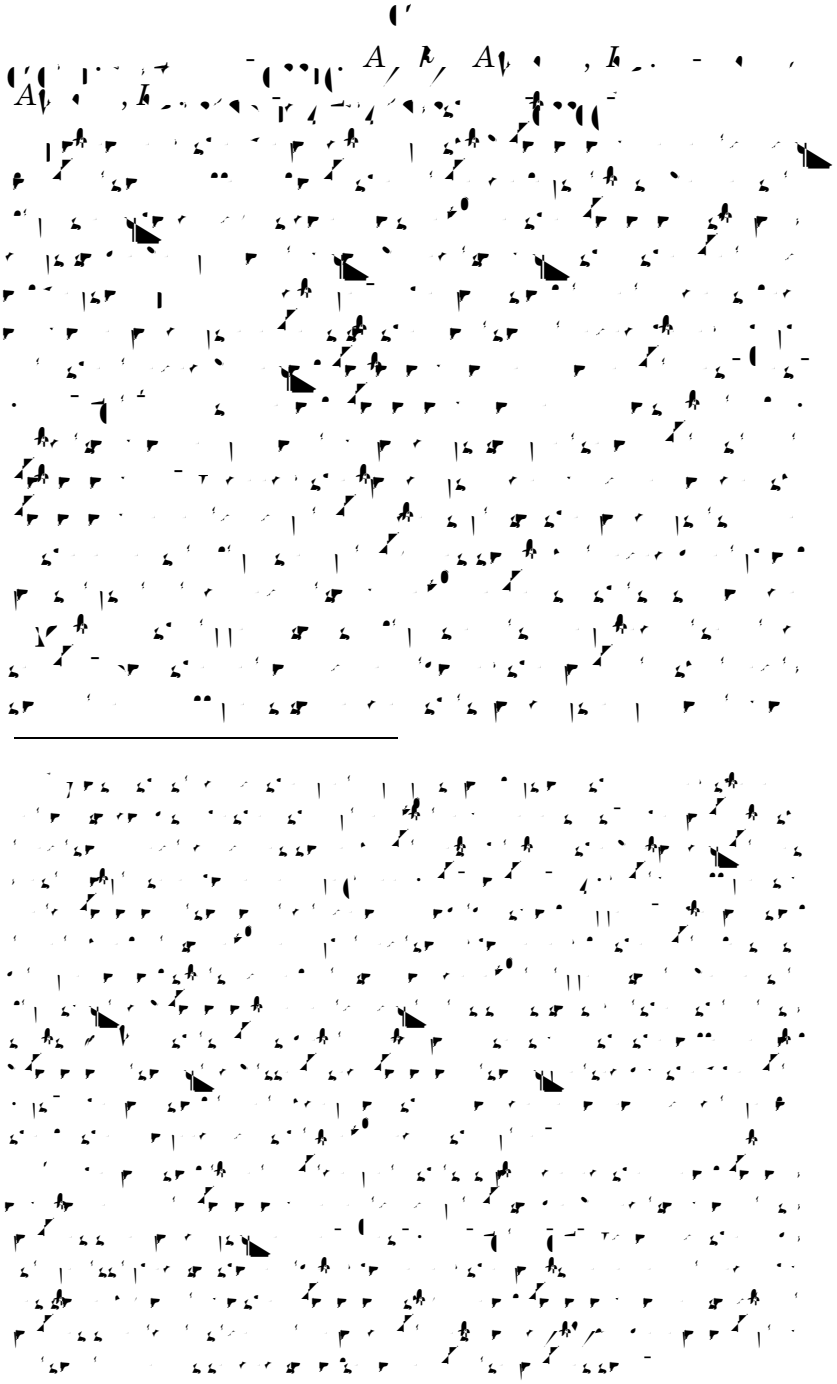


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