

United States v. Deutsche Telekom AG, 1:19-cv-02232 (D.D.C.) (assigned to Judge Timothy J. Kelly)

MINUTE ORDER (Jan. 10, 2020): Pursuant to this Court's inherent authority, and in light of the Tunney Act's flexible procedural framework, *see* 15 U.S.C. § 16(f), the Court establishes the following parameters governing how interested amici may participate in this proceeding. First, all potential amici shall file or, if required, move for leave to file an amicus brief no later than January 24, 2020. *See* LCvR 7(o)(1). Second, any amicus brief shall not exceed 20 pages in length. Third, all potential amici who must seek the Court's permission to file an amicus brief—that is, all potential amici other than the United States, its officers or agencies, or states—are instructed that their brief should not merely repeat arguments or assertions that they previously raised in comments they filed pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 16(b), to which the Court has access. Fourth, all potential amici who are plaintiffs in *State of New York et al. v. Deutsche Telekom AG et al.*, Case No. 1:19-cv-05434-VM (S.D.N.Y. filed June 11, 2019), if they choose to file an amicus brief, shall file only a single, consolidated brief. Fifth, all potential amici shall address in their briefs only the precise and limited issues before the Court in this proceeding. Sixth, all potential amici are advised that strict compliance with this Court's local rules is required. *See, e.g.*, LCvR 7(o). Participation that fails to comply with these parameters will not be permitted without leave of the Court. *See Jin v. Ministry of State Sec.*, 557 F. Supp. 2d 131, 136 (D.D.C. 2008) ("It is solely within the court's discretion to determine 'the fact, extent, and manner' of [amici's] participation." (citation omitted)); 15 U.S.C. § 16(f)(3). Finally, the parties may file briefs responding to the arguments presented by all amici no later than February 7, 2020. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Timothy J. Kelly on 1/10/2020. (lctjk1) (Entered: 01/10/2020)