

13-9972 RODRIGUEZ V. UNITED STATES

DECISION BELOW: 741 F.3d 905

LOWER COURT CASE NUMBER: 13-1176

QUESTION PRESENTED:

This Court has held that, during an otherwise lawful traffic stop, asking a driver to exit a vehicle, conducting a drug sniff with a trained canine, or asking a few off-topic questions are "de minimis" intrusions on personal liberty that do not require reasonable suspicion of criminal activity in order to comport with the Fourth Amendment. This case poses the question of whether the same rule applies after the conclusion of the traffic stop, so that an officer may extend the already-completed stop for a canine sniff without reasonable suspicion or other lawful justification.

CERT. GRANTED 10/2/2014