

Federal Court



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Docket: T-4795-25

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Ottawa, Ontario, June 15, 2026

PRESENT: The Honourable Mr. Justice Fothergill

BETWEEN:

**ARISTA RECORDS LLC
ATLANTIC RECORDING CORPORATION
ELEKTRA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP INC.
SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT
SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT CANADA INC.
SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT UK LIMITED
UNIVERSAL MUSIC CANADA INC.
WARNER MUSIC CANADA CO.
WARNER MUSIC UK LIMITED
WARNER RECORD INC.
ZOMBA RECORDING LLC**

Applicants

and

**JOHN DOE 1 dba Y2MATE.WS
JOHN DOE 2 dba YTMP3.LAT
JOHN DOE 3 dba SAVEFROM.SPACE
AND OTHER UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS WHO OPERATE
UNAUTHORIZED STREAM-RIPPING PLATFORMS
UNDER THE BRANDS Y2MATE, YTMP3 AND SAVEFROM**

Respondents

and

**BELL CANADA
BRAGG COMMUNICATIONS INC. dba EASTLINK
COGECO COMMUNICATIONS INC.
ROGERS COMMUNICATIONS CANADA INC.
SASKATCHEWAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS
TEKSAVVY SOLUTIONS INC.
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.
VIDEOTRON LTD.
2251723 ONTARIO INC. dba VMEDIA**

Third Party Respondents

SITE-BLOCKING ORDER
(PUBLIC)

UPON the application of the Applicants for a Site-Blocking Order against the Third Party Respondents pursuant to s 44 of the *Federal Courts Act*, RSC 1985, c F-7, and s 34(1) of the *Copyright Act*, RSC 1985, c C-42;

AND UPON reading the Applicants' Application Record;

AND UPON hearing counsel for the Applicants and giving counsel for the Third Party Respondents an opportunity to be heard, no-one appearing for the John Doe Respondents and other Unidentified Persons [collectively, John Doe Respondents];

AND CONSIDERING that the Third Party Respondents do not oppose the relief sought;

AND CONSIDERING s 3(1), 27(1) and 34 (1) of the *Copyright Act*; s 36 of the *Telecommunications Act*, S.C. 1993, c 38; s 44 of the *Federal Courts Act*; and this Court's decisions in *Bell Media Inc v GoldTV.Biz*, 2019 FC 1432, aff'd 2021 FCA 181, leave to appeal to

SCC refused, 39876 (24 March 2022); *Bell Media Inc v GoldTV.Biz*, 2022 FC 1695; *Rogers Media Inc v John Doe 1*, 2022 FC 775; *Rogers Media Inc v John Doe*, 2024 FC 1082; and *Bell Media Inc v John Doe 1 (Soap2day)*, 2025 FC 133 [*Soap2day*];

AND CONSIDERING that the Applicants have sought two remedies from the Court.

- (a) Judgment against the John Doe Respondents; and
- (b) a Site-Blocking Order of two years against the Third Party Respondents, who are Internet Service Providers providing Internet access to the vast majority of Canadian households;

AND CONSIDERING the Judgment granting a permanent injunction against the John Doe Respondents issued together with this Order, and the validation of service of the Notice of Application upon the John Doe Respondents contained in that Judgment;

AND CONSIDERING that:

- (a) the Site-Blocking Order sought by the Applicants is similar to orders previously issued by this Court and endorsed by the Federal Court of Appeal to prevent the blatant and unauthorized infringement of copyright in similar circumstances;
- (b) the Order sought is modelled after the one issued by this Court in *Soap2day*;

- (c) the Order sought targets the infringing platforms presently operated by the John Doe Respondents, as well as other similar platforms that appear and/or increase in popularity once access to these platforms is blocked – indeed, the John Doe Respondents operate platforms that are themselves “copycats” of similarly-branded stream ripping services that were previously deactivated, and additional copycat platforms have already begun to appear on the Internet;

THIS COURT ORDERS that:

1. “Stream Ripping Platforms” are defined in this Order as:
 - (a) the platforms operated by the John Doe Respondents from the domains, subdomains and IP addresses listed at Schedule 1 of this Order at the time of its issuance; and
 - (b) online platforms that satisfy the following conditions:
 - i. the condition in Confidential Schedule 2 of this Order;
 - ii. they have the sole or predominant purpose of allowing their users to generate downloadable audio and/or video files of content that is available for streaming on YouTube, including sound recordings for which the Applicants own the copyright;

- iii. they have substantially the same mode of operation as the platforms mentioned at paragraph 1(a) of this Order;
 - iv. representatives of the Applicants have confirmed that, as far as they are aware, no consent or licence has been granted by the Applicants to the operator(s) of the platform;
 - v. the platform can be accessed by users in Canada;
 - vi. where the platform has disclosed a means of contact, the Applicants or their agents have sent a notice of infringement to the operator(s) of the platform which explains the infringements of copyright alleged by the Applicants and their intention to take enforcement action should those activities not cease; and
 - vii. the platform continues to operate and the operator(s) has taken no steps, within seven (7) days of the date of the notice, to address the matters identified in the notice of infringement.
2. Within ten (10) business days of the issuance of this Order, the Third Party Respondents shall block or attempt to block access by at least their residential wireline Internet service customers to the Stream Ripping Platforms by blocking or attempting to block access to all of the domains, subdomains and IP addresses identified in Schedule 1 of this Order.

3. If the Applicants are made aware of any other domain, subdomain or IP address that has as its sole or predominant purpose to enable or facilitate access to a Stream Ripping Platform:

(a) the Applicants may serve and file a proposed amended Schedule 1 together with an affidavit that may be limited to:

- i. stating that the Stream Ripping Platform(s) subject to the amended Schedule 1 meet the conditions set out at paragraph 1 above;
- ii. identifying the additional domain(s), subdomain(s) or IP address(es) associated with the Stream Ripping Platform(s) subject to the amended Schedule 1;
- iii. stating that such additional domain(s), subdomain(s) and/or IP address(es) have as their sole or predominant purpose to enable or facilitate access to a Stream Ripping Platform, and that any additional IP address is not associated with any other active domain or subdomain that provides access to a service or website other than a Stream Ripping Platform;
- iv. proposing to supplement Schedule 1 of this Order to include such additional domain(s), subdomain(s), and/or IP address(es);

- (b) any Third Party Respondent may bring a motion to object to the additional proposed domain(s), subdomain(s) and IP address(es) by serving and filing a motion record within ten (10) business days of service of the Applicants' affidavit and proposed amended Schedule 1 – in the event that such a motion record is filed, the Third Party Respondents shall not be ordered to block or attempt to block the domains, subdomains or IP addresses that are the subject of the motion until the motion is decided or the Court orders otherwise;
- (c) if no Third Party Respondent brings a motion to object within ten (10) business days in accordance with paragraph 3(b) of this Order, the Court may grant an Order amending Schedule 1 as proposed by the Applicants without further proceedings, which shall be implemented by the Third Party Respondents pursuant to paragraph 2;
- (d) the Applicants' affidavit and proposed amended Schedule 1 shall be accepted for filing as confidential, and be treated as confidential by the Third Party Respondents until ten (10) business days following the date of any Order that is final and determinative of a proposal to amend pursuant to paragraph 3(a) of this Order; and
- (e) the Third Party Respondents have no obligation to verify whether the Applicants' updates to Schedule 1 of this Order are correct, and are

wholly reliant on the Applicants accurately identifying the domains, subdomains or IP addresses associated with the Stream Ripping Platforms;

- (f) if and once they become or are made aware of the following situations, the Applicants must notify the Third Party Respondents as soon as reasonably practicable that:
- i. any domain, subdomain or IP address contained in Schedule 1 of this Order (as updated) no longer has as its sole or predominant purpose to enable or facilitate access to the Stream Ripping Platforms, in which case the Applicants shall provide to the Third Party Respondents and file with the Court an updated Schedule 1 removing said domain, subdomain or IP address and the Third Party Respondents shall no longer be ordered to block or attempt to block access to said domain, subdomain or IP address; and
 - ii. any IP address contained in Schedule 1 to this Order (as updated) hosts one or more active website(s) other than the Stream Ripping Platforms, in which case the Third Party Respondents shall no longer be ordered to block or attempt to block access to said IP address.
4. Notices and service of documents under this Order may be made by the Applicants, the Third Party Respondents and their agents to one another by electronic means at the addresses determined and agreed upon by them.

5. Service and filing of documents pursuant to paragraph 3 of this Order may be made no more frequently than every ten (10) business days.

6. The internet service customers of the Third Party Respondents will be notified through the following mechanism:
 - (a) the Applicants shall post this Order, as well as an explanation of the purpose of the Order, on a separate website domain [Notification Website] that will also make the following information immediately available:
 - i. that access has been blocked by this Order;

 - ii. the identity of the Applicants and the Court file number for this matter, and contact information of the Applicants or their counsel;

 - iii. a statement to the effect that the operators of the Stream Ripping Platforms, any third party who claims to be affected by this Order, and any internet service customer affected by the Order, may apply to the Court to discharge or vary the Order pursuant to paragraph 11 below;

 - (b) where an internet service customer has access to a domain, subdomain or IP address blocked by a Third Party Respondent pursuant to this Order, to the extent practicable, the Third Party Respondent shall set up the DNS

blocking, DNS-rerouting or an alternative or equivalent technical means, to redirect the internet service customer to the Notification Website;

(c) the Applicants shall notify the Third Party Respondents of any changes to the domain or website address of the Notification Website as soon as reasonably practicable;

(d) as an alternative to the mechanism ordered at subparagraph (b) above, to the extent practicable, a Third Party Respondent may use different technical means to give notice of the information listed at subparagraph (a) above to its internet service customer whose access to a domain, subdomain or IP address is blocked by the Third Party Respondent pursuant to this Order;

7. A Third Party Respondent will be deemed to have complied with paragraph 2 of this Order or with an Order issued pursuant to paragraph 3 if it uses the technical means set out in Schedule 3 of this Order, or alternative or equivalent technical means, provided that the Third Party Respondent notifies to the Applicants of the change;

8. If a Third Party Respondent, in complying with this Order, is unable to implement one of the steps referred to in Schedule 3 of this Order, that Third Party Respondent must, within ten (10) business days of the issuance of this Order or of the issuance of an Order referred to in paragraph 3, or of being first made aware that it is unable to implement blocking, as applicable, notify the Applicants of the step

or steps it has taken and why it could not comply with the Order. The Applicants shall treat any information received pursuant to this paragraph confidentially and shall use it solely for the purpose of monitoring compliance with this Order.

9. A Third Party Respondent shall not be in breach of this Order if it temporarily suspends, for no longer than is reasonably necessary, its compliance with paragraph 2 of this Order or an Order issued pursuant to paragraph 3, in whole or in part, when such suspension is reasonably necessary to:
 - (a) correct or investigate potential over-blocking that is caused or suspected to be caused by the steps taken pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Order or an Order issued pursuant to paragraph 3;
 - (b) maintain the integrity or quality of its Internet services or the functioning of its blocking system(s);
 - (c) upgrade, troubleshoot or maintain its Internet services or blocking system(s), including as a result of technical or capacity limitations of its blocking system(s);
 - (d) prevent or respond to an actual or potential security threat to its network or systems;

provided that the Third Party Respondent (i) gives notice to the Applicants during or following such suspension and provides the reason for such suspension and an estimate of its duration, or (ii) if the suspension does not last longer than 48 hours, uses commercially reasonable efforts to maintain a record of the suspension and provides that record to the Applicants upon request. The Applicants shall treat any information received pursuant to this paragraph confidentially and shall use it solely for the purposes of monitoring and ensuring compliance with this Order.

10. For certainty, a Third Party Respondent may hold a reasonable portion of its capacity to implement DNS blocking in reserve, if it deems it necessary to do so, in order to be able to respond to threats to its subscribers and to maintain the integrity of its network and services. Any such measure must be justified with reference to the network capacity used for similar purposes within the 12 months preceding this Order.
11. The operator(s) of the Stream Ripping Platforms, the operators of any other website who claim to be affected by this Order, and any Internet service customer of the Third Party Respondents affected by the Order, may bring a motion to seek a variation of this Order insofar as this Order affects their ability to access or distribute non-infringing content by serving and filing a motion record within thirty (30) days of the first occurrence of the event that allegedly affects them and that results from this Order.
12. The Applicants shall indemnify and save harmless the Third Party Respondents for:

- (a) the reasonable marginal cost of implementing paragraphs 2 and 7 of this Order and updating the implementation of this Order pursuant to paragraph 3 of this Order;
- (b) any reasonably incurred loss, liability, obligation, claim, damages, costs (including defence costs), or expenses resulting from a complaint, demand, action, claim, application or similar proceeding whether administrative, judicial, or quasi-judicial in nature, in respect of the Third Party Respondents as a result of their compliance with the Order; and
- (c) for certainty, the scope of the Applicants' indemnification obligations set out in this paragraph is limited to the circumstances of this proceeding, and this paragraph of the Order is without prejudice to the ability of the Third Party Respondents, Applicants or any other party to seek indemnification obligations of a different scope in other cases or proceedings.

13. With respect to the costs referenced in paragraph 12 of this Order:

- (a) the Third Party Respondents shall provide the Applicants with an invoice setting out the claimed cost elements and the total costs claimed after having complied with one or more terms of this Order;

- (b) the Applicants shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) days of receipt unless a disagreement as to its reasonableness must be resolved under paragraph 13(c); and
 - (c) in the event that the Applicants and Third Party Respondent disagree as to the reasonableness of the invoice, the parties are encouraged to attempt to amicably resolve their disagreement. If required, the parties may bring a motion to settle this issue.
14. This Order shall terminate two (2) years from the date of issuance, unless the Court orders otherwise.
15. Any Third Party Respondent may seek to stay, vary, or set aside this Order, or oppose on any basis any other related or similar Order sought by any Applicants or any other party.
16. No costs are awarded.

“Simon Fothergill”

Judge

Schedule 1 – Stream Ripping Platforms

JOHN DOE 1 dba Y2MATE.WS		
Domains to be blocked (including all associated subdomains)	Subdomains to be blocked	IP addresses to be blocked
Y2mate.ws		

JOHN DOE 2 dba YTMP3.LAT		
Domains to be blocked (including all associated subdomains)	Subdomains to be blocked	IP addresses to be blocked
Ytmp3.lat		

JOHN DOE 3 dba SAVEFROM.SPACE		
Domains to be blocked (including all associated subdomains)	Subdomains to be blocked	IP addresses to be blocked
Domains to be blocked	Subdomains to be blocked	IP addresses to be blocked
Savefrom.space		
Spowload.cc		

Confidential Schedule 2 –Condition for blocking under paragraph 1 of the Order

Schedule 3 – Technical Means

1. For domains identified in Schedule 1 (as updated): DNS blocking, or alternatively DNS rerouting to comply with paragraph 6 of the Order.
2. For domains, subdomains or specific paths identified in Schedule 1 (as updated): DNS blocking or DNS re-routing, or at the Third Party Respondent's election URL path blocking, to the extent that the Third Party Respondent's existing technical infrastructure allows this blocking method. For certainty:
 - a. for domains and subdomains identified in Schedule 1 (as updated), the Third Party Respondents do not need to implement URL path blocking if they implement DNS blocking or DNS re-routing in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Schedule 3; and
 - b. no Third Party Respondent shall be required to acquire the hardware and software necessary to put in place or upgrade URL path blocking.
3. For the IP addresses identified in Schedule 1 (as updated): IP address blocking, or alternatively IP address re-routing. For certainty, IP address blocking, or IP address rerouting shall only be required to block IP addresses in respect of which the Applicants or their agents notify the Third Party Respondents that, to the best of their knowledge, the server associated with the notified IP address does not also host an active website other than the Stream Ripping Platforms.