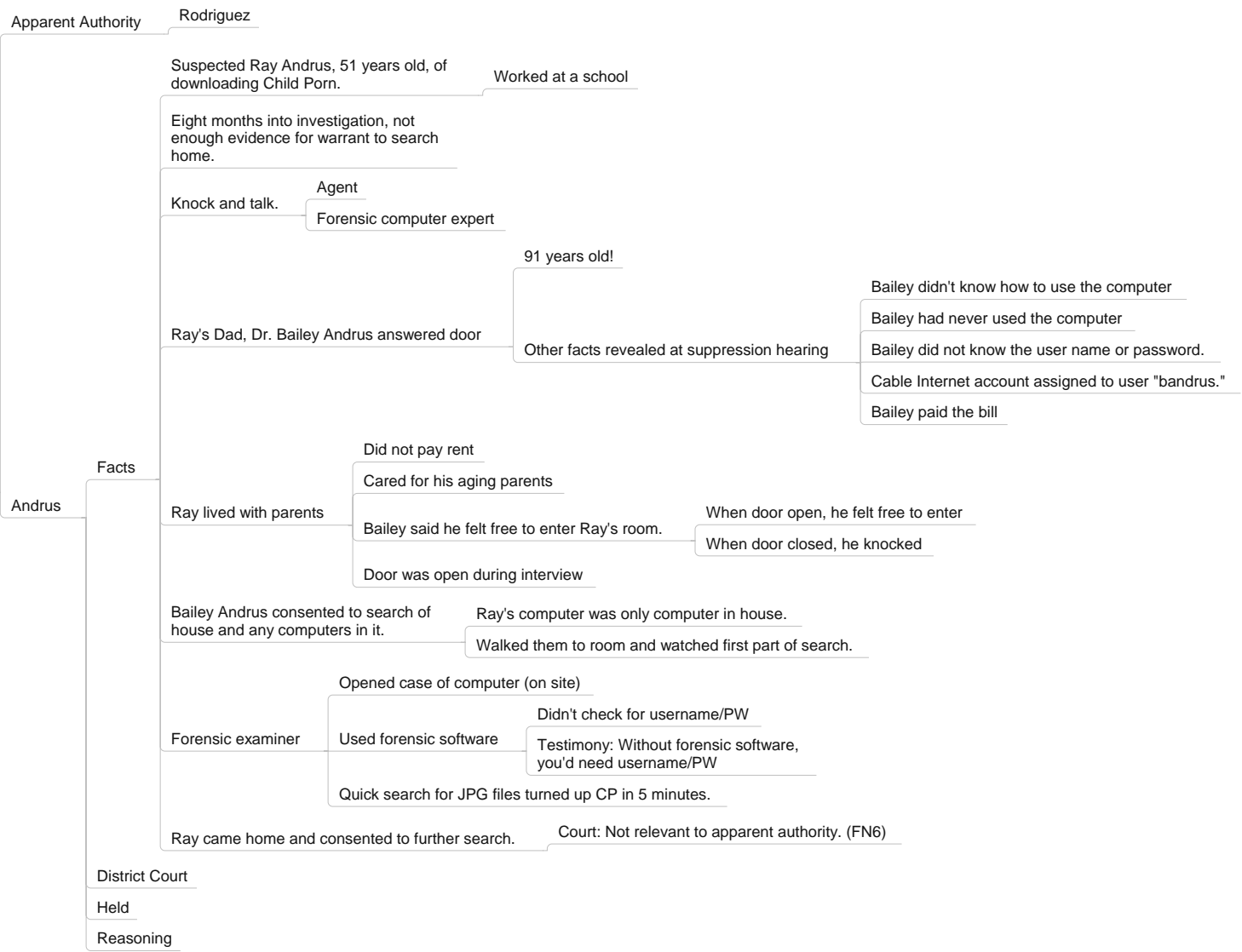


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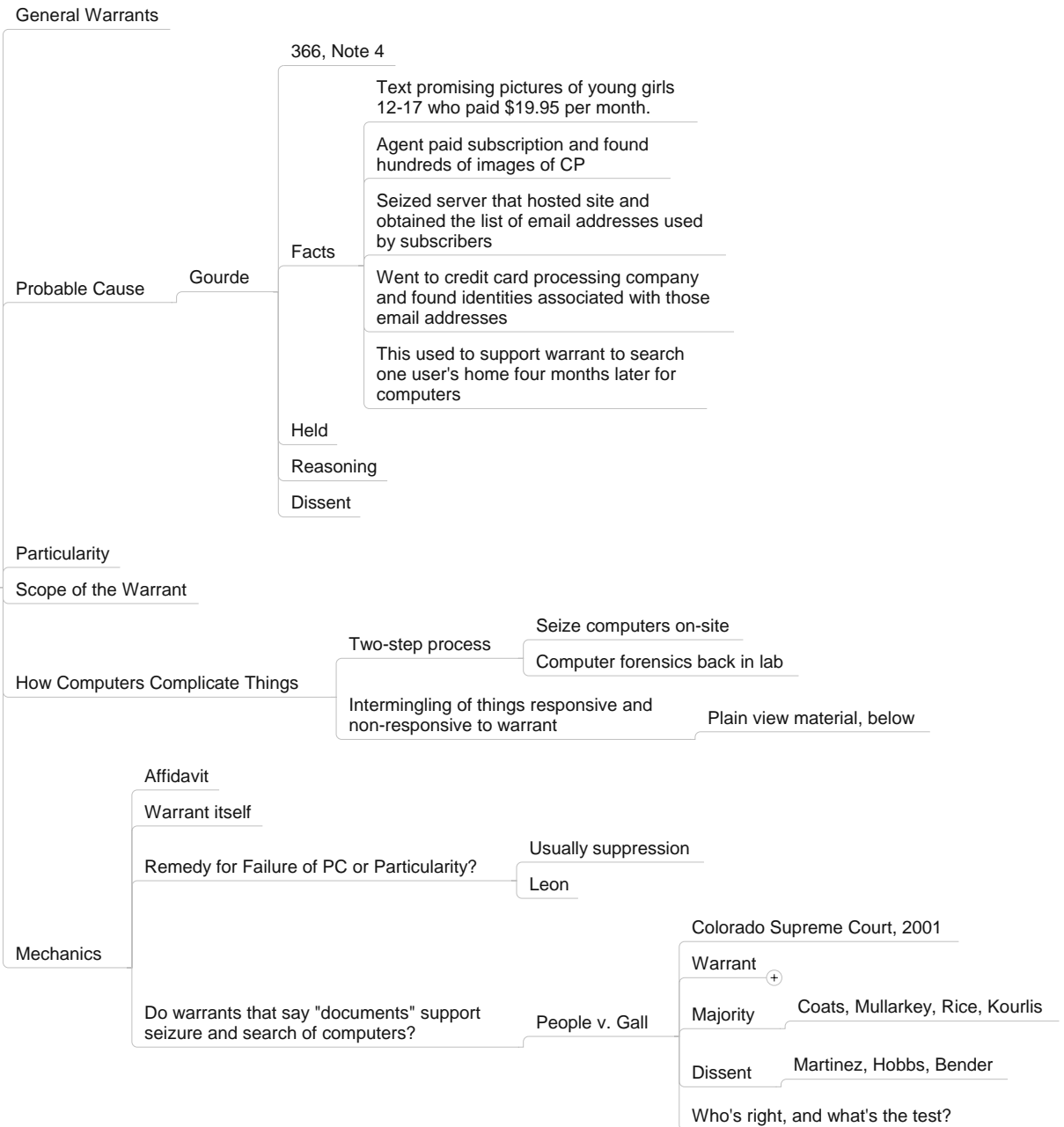
- Next Time: For next Wednesday, newer version of Supplement posted with missing pages 52-59.
- News Wednesdays:
  - Balloon Boy! 🎈
  - Predators on Stickam 📹
- Our Guest: Bridget McPhillips

## Last Time



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## Warrants and Computers

Adjani

### Facts

- D1 = Adjani
  - Suspected of extortion
  - Series of letters asking for \$3 million to prevent release of customers' private data
- D2 = Rheinhold
  - Woman who lives with D1
  - Aided in several ways
    - Delivered the messages
    - Drove him around
- D1 flees to Zurich, but gets lured back to Los Angeles
- Named D1 not D2 as suspect
- For D1's residence, car, person
- Sought "evidence of violations of" federal extortion law
- Warrant
  - Records containing [stolen data]
  - Seizure of
    - Records, documents and materials which reflect communications with [company executives and employees]
    - Computers, hard drives, disks, CDs.
- Search
  - Seized various computers and hard drives including D2's computer.
- Analyzed
  - On D2's computer, found email messages implicating D2

### District Court

### Held

### Reasoning

Investigators can seize evidence unrelated to the justification for the search if the incriminating nature of the evidence is immediately apparent and the search leading to its discovery was otherwise lawful.

## Plain View Rule

Rule

The "intermingled documents" problem

Relating to the "way we do computer forensics" problem

And tied to the "defendants can use bogus filenames" problem.

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## Plain View Rule

