

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

KERWIN BLOUNT :
v. : NO. 3:97CR232(EBB)
NO. 3:03CV1516(EBB)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

RULING ON UNITED STATES' MOTION FOR FINDING
OF WAIVER OF ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Petitioner Kerwin Blount has brought a motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 alleging ineffective assistance of counsel in that she allegedly provided inaccurate legal advice, failed to move for a severance, to object to the prosecutor's closing remarks, to seek a drug quantity instruction and to adequately investigate his case and engaged in the unauthorized practice of law.

Defense counsel has informed the government that she cannot fully respond to the government's request for information because some of the information may be protected by the attorney-client privilege.

The court finds that, given the nature of his claims, petitioner has waived the privilege with respect to any confidential communications reasonably related to those claims.

Accordingly, the government's motion [Doc. No. 565] is granted.

SO ORDERED.

ELLEN BREE BURNS, SENIOR JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Dated at New Haven, CT, this ____ day of December, 2003.