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Decision No. 49765

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ARTHUR B. CRIGLER,

Complainant,

vs.

Case No. 5528

THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, a corporation,

Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING TEMPORARY INTERIM RELIEF

ARTHUR B. CRIGLER, of 12710 So. Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California, having filed a verified complaint alleging in substance that prior to October 1, 1951 complainant was a telephone subscriber of defendant under number PLeasant 5-6262; that on or about October 1, 1951 the telephone facilities of complainant were disconnected by the Sheriff's Department because the building was leased to a bookmaker who claimed that he was in the real estate business, would lease complainant's office, and take calls for complainant's plumbing business; that four days after such lease complainant learned that such lessee was a bookmaker, ordered him to move, and returned his money; that lessee was still there the following day and complainant called the Sheriff's Department; that, when such lessee was arrested, complainant's telephone was removed, and is still disconnected; that complainant did not use and does not now intend to use said telephone facilities as an instrumentality to violate the law, nor in aiding or abetting such violation; and that complainant has suffered and will suffer irreparable injury and great hardship as a result of being deprived of telephone facilities; therefore,

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IT IS ORDERED that The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company is hereby directed to restore telephone service to complainant pending hearing on said complaint and further Commission order thereon, said service to be furnished pursuant to defendant's filed tariff rates and rules applicable thereto. The complaint will be set for hearing before such Commissioner or Examiner, and at such time and place, as may hereafter be designated.

The Secretary is directed as follows:

- To cause a certified copy of this order, together with a copy of the complaint herein, to be served upon The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, and said defendant is directed to serve and file its reply to said complaint within ten (10) days after said service.
- 2. To cause a copy of this order to be mailed to complainant.
- 3. To cause appropriate notice of hearing to be mailed to the parties at least ten (10) days/prior/to the hearing herein.

ŪĻ, Dated, <u>a deleal</u>, California, this day of March, 1954.

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