1	IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
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3	ROSELVA CHAIDEZ, :
4	Petitioner : No. 11-820
5	v. :
6	UNITED STATES :
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8	Washington, D.C.
9	Thursday, November 1, 2012
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11	The above-entitled matter came on for oral
12	argument before the Supreme Court of the United States
13	at 10:01 a.m.
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16	behalf of Petitioner.
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18	Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.; on behalf of
19	Respondent.
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	(10:01 a.m.)
3	CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: We'll hear argument
4	first this morning in Case 11-820,
5	Roselva Chaidez v. United States.
6	Mr. Fisher.
7	ORAL ARGUMENT OF JEFFREY L. FISHER
8	ON BEHALF OF THE PETITIONER
9	MR. FISHER: Mr. Chief Justice, and may it
10	please the Court:
11	In the more than 20 years since this Court
12	decided Teague v. Lane, it's had more than a dozen cases
13	in which people have sought habeas relief based on
14	ineffective assistance of counsel, but this Court has
15	never once held that applying Strickland in those
16	divergent factual settings constituted a new rule.
17	For two reasons, this Court should reject
18	the government's argument to do so for the first time
19	here.
20	First, Padilla was dictated by precedent;
21	that is, like other Strickland cases that came before
22	it, this Court in Padilla simply applied Strickland's
23	formula of assessing attorney performance according to
24	prevailing professional norms to a new set of facts.
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1	CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: It's a surprise to
2	the, what, ten courts of appeals who came out the other
3	way?
4	MR. FISHER: No, I don't think so,
5	Your Honor. Two two things about the lower courts.
6	The first is, there are only three lower
7	court decisions that postdate the 1996 act that the
8	government can cite that came out the other way in terms
9	of the question presented here.
10	And the second thing is, even within those
11	cases and within those courts, they didn't distinguish
12	between deportation advice and other kinds of advice.
13	They distinguished between acts and omissions; that is
14	to say, it was a uniform rule in the lower courts at the
15	time this Court decided Padilla that misadvice
16	concerning the right to I'm sorry, concerning
17	deportation consequences of a plea did violate
18	Strickland.
19	So the distinction in lower courts was not
20	between deportation advice and other kinds of advice;
21	the distinction was between acts and omissions.
22	And in Padilla itself
23	CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: So maybe it
24	was maybe it was a surprise to the members of this
25	Court that disagreed with that

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1	MR. FISHER: No
2	CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: with the ruling
3	in Padilla.
4	MR. FISHER: Well, obviously, there was a
5	dissent in Padilla, but this Court has held before that
6	new applications of Strickland did not constitute a new
7	rule, even though there were dissents.
8	JUSTICE GINSBURG: Mr. Fisher
9	MR. FISHER: In Williams
10	JUSTICE GINSBURG: what what about the
11	argument that Strickland doesn't come into play unless
12	the Sixth Amendment includes the collateral consequences
13	in counsel's obligation to defend a defendant in a
14	criminal case under the argument that up to up to
15	Padilla, only advice relevant to guilt or innocence and
16	sentencing was required, not collateral consequences?
17	MR. FISHER: Well, that was obviously the
18	argument that the State of Kentucky made in that case,
19	and this Court dealt with it in part two of Padilla.
20	Now, remember, Justice Ginsburg, the Court
21	did not extend Strickland to collateral consequences in
22	Padilla. It actually reserved that question. What it
23	held is that deportation consequences are not removed
24	from the ambit of the Sixth Amendment.
25	So, remember, Strickland

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1	JUSTICE GINSBURG: So it's also a question
2	if if conviction meant loss of a professional
3	license, that would be an open question?
4	MR. FISHER: I think I think that's an
5	open question after Padilla.
б	What this Court held in Padilla and this
7	is the second to last sentence in part two is that
8	advice concerning deportation consequences of a guilty
9	plea are not categorically removed from the Sixth
10	Amendment.
11	So what I understood the Court to do in
12	Padilla was take the ordinary Strickland formula of
13	prevailing professional norms and simply apply it to
14	this criminal case. Remember, Padilla itself was a
15	criminal case.
16	JUSTICE SCALIA: Well, it's always the case.
17	I mean, we we never come out with a decision that
18	doesn't rely upon some preexisting principle. We always
19	cite some preexisting principle. Does that mean that
20	every case of ours is is not new law?
21	MR. FISHER: Of course not. The question
22	this Court asked under Teague is whether it broke new
23	ground. And I think what this Court said in Padilla is,
24	we reject the artificial restriction on Strickland that
25	the lower courts have created; so, therefore, this Court

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1	simply reaffirmed Strickland. It didn't
2	JUSTICE KAGAN: Well, Mr. Fisher, think
3	about this in an AEDPA context. I mean, assume that you
4	have these ten circuit courts all going in the way that
5	the Chief Justice said, and then one court came along
б	and said, you know, we think that they in an AEDPA
7	context, a habeas consideration of a state conviction
8	we think that this is all wrong, and, in fact, the law
9	is exactly the opposite of what ten circuits have held.
10	Wouldn't we think that that's a very easy
11	case that the AEDPA standard had not been met?
12	MR. FISHER: I think you you may well
13	find that, Justice Kagan, but the reason why is because
14	you'd find that there was not an unreasonable
15	application of preexisting law. What you would not say
16	is that the clearly established law is any different.
17	So, remember, this Court this case,
18	because it's a Federal case, raises only the first
19	question under AEDPA, in a sense, which is what's the
20	clearly established law? And this is the Chief I
21	think this is responsive to the Chief Justice's question
22	about the dissent.
23	There was a disagreement on this Court about
24	how to apply Strickland, but the question's whether a
25	new legal rule was created, not whether there was an

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1 unreasonable application --2 JUSTICE SCALIA: Why pick on Strickland? I 3 mean, you could say that about any principle of law that 4 we rely on: The dissent thought that that principle 5 applied a different way here. What is different about Strickland that it 6 7 enables you to appeal to that, as opposed to appealing 8 to any principle of law? 9 MR. FISHER: Well, I think the best response 10 is what this Court said in Williams, which is Strickland 11 provides sufficient guidance to resolve virtually every ineffective assistance claim. 12 13 So what this Court said in Williams is we do not make new law when we apply Strickland. 14 15 I think Justice Kennedy --16 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Is there any -- Mr. 17 Fisher, is there any application, you call it application 18 of Strickland, that would qualify as a new rule, any 19 application at all, or is just Strickland never a new 20 rule? 21 MR. FISHER: I think so long as you simply 22 applied Strickland, you wouldn't create a new rule. 23 If you for example, said, a certain kind of claim does not need to have a prejudice showing, that 24 25 would be a new rule.

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1	JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, suppose that a
2	really skilled attorney, after negotiating a plea
3	bargain, or even representing a client at trial but then
4	losing, is very skilled in ensuring that the defendant
5	can go into the general population, not into solitary
6	confinement; but also a skilled trial attorney, he's
7	just not very good at that, so the defendant goes to
8	solitary.
9	Could if there was an evolution of the
10	law of adequate assistance of counsel so that this Court
11	later held, oh, conditions of confinement have to be a
12	part of the attorney's skill and competence in
13	representation, that that would be retroactive?
14	MR. FISHER: Justice Kennedy, it wouldn't be
15	enough to have a later evolution of prevailing norms
16	because Strickland is a backward-looking device.
17	JUSTICE KENNEDY: So that there are then, in
18	answer to Justice Ginsburg's question, some cases in
19	which there could be a new rule of ineffective
20	assistance of counsel under Strickland?
21	MR. FISHER: Well, I think the answer to
22	that question is yes, and, as I said, something like a
23	scenario where this Court
24	JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, I don't understand
25	how that works with my hypothetical.

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1 that -- that question is keyed to attorney performance 2 at the time judged by reasonableness according to 3 prevailing professional norms. 4 Now, those prevailing professional norms 5 are, in a sense, a factual question, an empirical question that --6 7 JUSTICE KAGAN: Mr. Fisher, it would seem to 8 me that this case presents a kind of threshold question. 9 Before you get to the question of what are prevailing 10 professional norms and whether they have been complied 11 with, there is the question of whether the Sixth 12 Amendment applies to collateral consequences at all and, 13 if so, which collateral consequences. 14 And that's the question on which Padilla opines, and that's the question that seems, you know, 15 16 very different from anything that Strickland's discussed, 17 not just an application of Strickland. 18 MR. FISHER: Well, let me give you two 19 answers to that, because I think that's the government's 20 main argument here. 21 First is, as I've tried to say before, 22 simply saying that an exception that the lower courts 23 created doesn't exist -- doesn't create a new rule. Imagine this Court said -- laid down a rule that covered 24 all cars, and the lower courts devised an exception to 25

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1 that rule for convertibles. And when the Court -- when 2 the issue came to this Court, this Court said, well, no, 3 when we said all cars, we meant all cars.

To me, that doesn't create a new rule. And I think that's what this Court said in part two of Padilla, is that this artificial restriction that the lower courts have devised simply can't be grounded in Strickland --

9 JUSTICE BREYER: How many had?10 MR. FISHER: Pardon me?

JUSTICE BREYER: How many had? I mean, I would have thought it was common sense that a lawyer should tell the client the terrible things that are going to happen to him if he pleads guilty, those things that the lawyer knows or should know about and the client may not. Alright. That's a very general rule at that level.

18 But some courts have said, no, that isn't 19 true. That isn't true unless -- if it's -- as Justice 20 Kagan said, if it's a collateral exception, if it's a 21 collateral consequence. How many had? Was it only 22 Kentucky, or was it fairly widespread, this exception? 23 MR. FISHER: Only three federal circuits had had a ruling like that after the 1996 act --24 25 JUSTICE BREYER: Well, there aren't that

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many. There are eleven, and two of them are
 specialized.
 MR. FISHER: Well, if I can finish my
 answer, only three had rulings like that after the 1996

5 act, and all three of those relied on pre-'96 act 6 rulings. And as court of appeals judges said, that's 7 just not quite enough for us to be entitled to overturn 8 our prior circuit precedent.

9 So while the government comes here today 10 and suggests that ten circuits and all these state 11 courts had ruled, in a sense, in its favor, you know, 12 it's almost more accurate to say none had had this issue 13 cleanly presented to them after the 1996 act.

14 And, Justice Kagan, if I --

JUSTICE KAGAN: Well, but even before the 16 1996 act, deportation -- there were deportation 17 consequences. Those consequences were enhanced by the 18 1996 act; but, even before that, a reasonable lawyer, 19 you might think, would have a conversation with his 20 client about the deportation consequences of a 21 conviction.

22 MR. FISHER: That may well be true, Justice 23 Kagan, but I'm saying in the '96 act, as this Court said 24 in Padilla, whatever prevail -- whatever doubt there may 25 have been about prevailing professional norms

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1	crystallized at that time because of the severity.
2	And I think that's the second answer I
3	wanted to give to your question about this so-called
4	threshold question in Padilla, is that even if there is
5	some question as to whether the Sixth Amendment applies
6	beyond, as the government puts it, criminal jeopardy,
7	this Court had already answered that question in St. Cyr,
8	where this Court said, in the text around footnotes 48
9	and 50, that any competent lawyer would give his client
10	advice and a warning about deportation consequences of a
11	plea.
12	So even if you needed more than Strickland
13	itself, St. Cyr gave that to you in 2001, which is
14	enough to decide this case; it was enough to decide
15	Padilla.
16	JUSTICE ALITO: If a court if this Court
17	were to decide in a future case that effective
18	assistance of counsel requires an attorney to advise the
19	client of all collateral consequences, potential loss of
20	a professional license, etc., would that be a rule that
21	was dictated by precedent?
22	MR. FISHER: I think it would I doubt it,
23	Justice Alito. I think it would depend on what the
24	prevailing professional norms looked like.
25	I take it what this Court said in Strickland

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1 and what it reaffirmed in Padilla is, we're not going 2 to -- we're not going to micromanage effective 3 assistance of counsel. We're going to leave it to 4 prevailing professional norms. 5 I seriously doubt that prevailing professional norms would require the holding that you 6 7 described; but, to the extend they did, I don't think it would be a new rule. To the extent they didn't and 8 9 this Court said, we're going to push the Sixth Amendment

10 beyond that, you would have a new rule.

JUSTICE SCALIA: Mr. Fisher, I suppose you are right, I'm sure you're right that the mere fact that there was a dissent in the case that adopted the rule does not necessarily make it a new rule. But you, on the other hand, would agree, would you not, that those who dissented from that case would regard it as a new rule?

18 MR. FISHER: That's a tricky question to19 answer, Justice Scalia.

20 JUSTICE SCALIA: Well, I think it's an easy 21 question to answer.

22 MR. FISHER: Well, I think I could answer it 23 one of two ways. One is I could say yes, they did -- to 24 the extent they did regard it as a new rule, I think the 25 dissent was, with all due respect, slightly mistaken

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1 about what the holding in Padilla was, which was not 2 to --3 JUSTICE SCALIA: That's fair. That's fair. 4 The dissenters ought to reconsider, you're saying. 5 MR. FISHER: Well, I think that the way the dissent put it was -- is that advice is now required 6 7 beyond criminal cases and criminal jeopardy. 8 The way that I think Padilla -- majority described its holding was that this is a criminal 9 10 defendant in a criminal case entitled to advice from his 11 criminal lawyer, and the most important piece of advice 12 as to whether to take a plea or not involves deportation 13 consequences. 14 And, Justice Scalia, I think --JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, it just seems to me 15 16 that the predicate question that we decided in Padilla 17 was that Strickland applies to matters not within the 18 control of the trial judge. That it seems to me was a 19 holding the Court had not addressed before and that other courts had not addressed before. 20 21 MR. FISHER: Well, it had to be more than 22 that, Justice Kennedy, because, of course, there is lots of --23 24 JUSTICE KENNEDY: No, this is --MR. FISHER: -- ineffective assistance 25

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1 cases --

2	JUSTICE KENNEDY: a predicate question.
3	MR. FISHER: Well, no, no. But I'm saying
4	there are lots of ineffective assistance cases before
5	Padilla that involved matters beyond the judge, that
6	turned on what the jury did, of course. And I could
7	I may be able to think of others beyond those two
8	scenarios, but there's no language to that effect in
9	Padilla.
10	What the Court said is that we have never
11	created artificial distinctions about what an attorney
12	has to do. As this Court put it in Strickland,
13	Strickland itself, the client is advised to his lawyer's
14	advice about all important decisions. And as this Court
15	said in St. Cyr and other cases, the most important
16	consideration as to whether to plead guilty is whether
17	somebody will be deported.
18	And so you put that together and you had all
19	of the law you needed, certainly by 2001.
20	CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: I think you've
21	been you've been asked this, and I'm not sure I got
22	your answer. Give me an example of something that
23	like the consequences in Padilla that would not be
24	covered by your argument?
25	MR. FISHER: Well, some sort of consequences

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1 that -- that prevailing norms didn't require a lawyer to 2 advise his client on. So, for example, I would expect that a 3 4 lawyer is not necessarily required to give detailed 5 advice about future employment opportunities to a client depending on whether he pleads guilty. 6 7 JUSTICE GINSBURG: You answered that 8 question when I asked it, you said that removal of a professional license would not fall under -- wouldn't --9 10 would be at least an open question. MR. FISHER: It -- I think it would be an 11 12 open question as to how Strickland would apply. 13 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: If you had --14 MR. FISHER: I simply don't know what the 15 prevailing professional norms are in that situation. 16 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: If you had that 17 case, what would you rely on in arguing in favor of the 18 habeas petition? 19 MR. FISHER: Well, I would start with --20 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: You would start with Strickland, and you would talk with -- Padilla, right? 21 MR. FISHER: Yes, that's what I would do. 22 23 And I would look to prevailing professional norms. 24 And I think, if I could give a generic 25 answer, the question would be whether or not that kind

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1 of advice is so important to the client's decision 2 making -- and that's the word the Court used in 3 Strickland -- that prevailing norms require the lawyer 4 to give that kind of advice. 5 If the answer to that was yes --6 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Do you want us to write 7 this opinion in support of your position, and to begin 8 by saying, prevailing professional norms do not change? 9 MR. FISHER: No, no, Justice Kennedy. 10 JUSTICE KENNEDY: It seems to me that 11 you're -- that the defense bar generally would want to 12 say that prevailing professional norms change, but 13 that -- that hurts you in this case. 14 MR. FISHER: No, I don't think it does, Justice Kennedy. I agree with your premise, I think, 15 16 that prevailing professional norms can and do evolve. 17 And so the question this Court asked in Strickland is, 18 as of the time the advice was given, did the prevailing 19 norms require that? 20 The advice was given in this case almost at 21 the identical time of the advice in Padilla and, indeed, 22 far after St. Cyr. 23 JUSTICE KENNEDY: I notice -- I'm not sure it was cited in the brief, but the ABA comment in 1999 24 said, now the ABA standard applies to professional 25

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1	standards, and that goes beyond the constitutional
2	minimum. So that doesn't seem to me to help you,
3	either.
4	MR. FISHER: Well, I'm not sure that's what
5	the ABA said. I believe the ABA, quite rightly, said,
б	we don't make constitutional law in this body; we leave
7	that to the courts.
8	JUSTICE KENNEDY: It said, it should be
9	stated that these standards do more than enforce the
10	constitutional minimum.
11	MR. FISHER: Well, I think there may be
12	elements of the standards that did.
13	But, remember, we're not just talking about
14	the ABA here. As this Court noted in Padilla and as one
15	of the amicus briefs from NACDL notes in this case,
16	there's a wide
17	JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, I'm talking about
18	the I'm talking about the ABA here, if you want to
19	give some other authority; but, I say that, it seems to
20	me, does not help you.
21	MR. FISHER: Well, then I'll rely on just
22	the overall body of professional norms, which is what
23	this Court looked to in Padilla and what it's always
24	said it has to look to under Strickland cases.
25	If I could return if I could transition

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1	to talking about the the nature of the
2	backward-looking effect of Strickland, I think there is
3	an important second question in this case, that if this
4	Court were inclined to hold that there was a new rule,
5	you'd be forced to confront. And it's a very serious
б	question involving this Court's administration of
7	criminal appellate procedure. And that is whether
8	Teague ought to apply at all in this context.
9	We believe that under the system this Court
10	established in Massaro for handling IAC claims, it
11	simply doesn't make any sense to apply Teague here and,
12	indeed, would throw a gigantic monkey wrench into the
13	way things are have been done for the last decade
14	after that decision.
15	And and for two reasons: One, in
16	theory
17	JUSTICE KAGAN: Mr. Fisher, before you get
18	to the reasons
19	MR. FISHER: Yes.
20	JUSTICE KAGAN: the government says that
21	you forfeited this argument. Could you address that?
22	MR. FISHER: Sure. We didn't forfeit this
23	argument. It's fairly included within our question
24	presented. We raised it at the first available
25	opportunity in the Seventh Circuit because we were

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foreclosed by circuit precedent from raising it. So we
 raised it before an en banc court.

And in our cert reply brief, lest there be 3 4 any doubt, when the government suggested that we would 5 be restricted to arguing the new rule question in this case, we put a footnote in our cert reply brief which 6 7 expressly told the Court, no, we view this question presented as including this additional argument, whether 8 9 Teague applies or not. 10 So I think we gave fair notice to the Court. 11 And if you have any doubt --12 JUSTICE KAGAN: But you haven't presented 13 this argument to any court before; is that right? 14 MR. FISHER: We made the argument in an 15 en banc petition to the Seventh Circuit, which we 16 couldn't make it to a panel because Seventh Circuit law 17 had already held that Teague applied in this context. 18 JUSTICE ALITO: Is it relevant that this is 19 a coram nobis proceeding, rather than a habeas 20 proceeding? 21 MR. FISHER: No. I think we agree with the 22 government that it doesn't -- matter. 23 The way we see this is it's a first Federal

24 filing. It's a first post-conviction filing, and it's a 25 timely filing. The government is not challenging the

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1 timeliness of this filing.

2	So the question you have to ask yourself is,
3	under a system where this Court has said that IAC claims
4	should not be brought on direct review, but rather
5	should be brought on collateral review, whether you can
6	apply Teague at the very first instance that somebody
7	has to make a constitutional claim, and we think not.
8	On theory
9	JUSTICE ALITO: On that question, before
10	you not in relation to the Massaro argument, but in
11	relation to the Teague argument, you think the rule in
12	coram nobis is the same, that the Teague rule applies
13	fully in coram nobis in the same way that it applies in
14	habeas?
15	MR. FISHER: Well, that's the way the whole
16	case has been litigated, and I think that's a fair
17	assumption.
18	The reason that we're on coram nobis instead
19	of
20	JUSTICE ALITO: Have we ever held that?
21	MR. FISHER: No, you haven't. And so if you
22	want to be extra careful, you can you can say the
23	parties haven't challenged that.
24	Remember, the reason that we're on coram
25	nobis is Ms. Chaidez was not in custody. And so if

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1 somebody -- so it's, in a sense, interchangeable with a 2 2255. JUSTICE ALITO: Well, yes, I understand 3 4 that, but the consequences of a retroactive application 5 in coram nobis are more severe than they are in habeas, aren't they, because of the lack of a statute of 6 7 limitations? 8 MR. FISHER: More severe in the sense -- I'm 9 not sure I understand in what sense. 10 JUSTICE ALITO: You -- well, in -- under --11 under the current Federal habeas statute, you have a rather short statute of limitations to file the habeas 12 13 petition. 14 Under coram nobis, if you prevail, then people who were -- who were convicted of offenses 15 16 decades ago can raise the Padilla claim, can they not? 17 MR. FISHER: I'm not sure they -- I'm not 18 sure they could, Justice Alito. At Pet. App. 38, you'll 19 see the district court dealing with the timeliness of this petition. And the district court finds that Ms. 20 21 Chaidez could proceed because she used all reasonable 22 diligence in bringing this claim. 23 And the government can make laches 24 arguments, can make other arguments to defeat that. The 25 government has renounced those -- I mean, they let those

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3 But I think that, at a minimum, it would be 4 fair to say that somebody needs to bring a petition as 5 soon as the government advises them they're going to seek deportation. 6 7 I'm not even sure, Justice Alito --8 JUSTICE ALITO: What if someone -- if there is an attempt to -- a notice of removal for someone 9 10 based on a conviction that occurred a long time ago, 11 then that would be --12 MR. FISHER: You could -- you could have a 13 time lag, but there is two things to remember. First 14 is, you might have a timely 2255 in that circumstance, 15 too, because, remember, in Holland v. Florida, this 16 Court held that equitable tolling is available for 17 people with IA -- with ineffective assistance that leads 18 to them not being able to make the claim earlier. 19 And the second thing is, as I was discussing 20 with Justice Kennedy, the backward-looking aspect of 21 Strickland would -- would require the party -- once you 22 get more than a little while back, the prevailing norms 23 may not -- may not be there for that kind of a claim. 24 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Mr. Fisher --25 MR. FISHER: And so that's --

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arguments go in the Seventh Circuit and don't raise them

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again here.

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1	JUSTICE GINSBURG: Mr. Fisher, are
2	you you're not making any argument that Teague is
3	inapplicable because this the underlying conviction
4	here is a federal conviction, not a state conviction,
5	and Teague emphasized comity to the states; you're not
6	making that argument?
7	MR. FISHER: No, I think you could hold
8	that, and that is that is within our argument. I
9	don't think you need to go that far, Justice Ginsburg.
10	As you said, this Court has said time and again that
11	Teague relies on comity. That's not present in this
12	case.
13	But we think a narrower way to decide this
14	case, and I think the appropriate way to decide this
15	case, is to say, at least for ineffective assistance
16	claims, when you're bringing with a Federal prisoner,
17	or somebody who has been convicted of a Federal crime,
18	that's bringing their first petition, that Teague can't
19	apply.
20	And what I was just trying to say is
21	Strickland itself
22	JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, except except
23	that and I'm interrupting, in a sense, but it's on
24	the same track except that it seems to me that Teague
25	does serve the interest of repose, quite apart from

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interference with a federal proceeding, and that
 interest is surely sacrificed by the holding you wish us
 to make here.

4 MR. FISHER: Well, Justice Kennedy, I'm glad 5 you asked because that was what I was going to say. In Strickland, this Court dealt with 6 7 finality very explicitly and said, we're creating this standard which is different than other constitutional 8 9 standards because we're concerned about finality. And, 10 as this Court said at pages 697 and 98, so, therefore, 11 no different rules ought to apply in collateral proceedings as in direct review, because this Court 12 13 assumed in Strickland itself and it assumed expressly 14 again in Padilla that all of these claims would be on collateral review. 15 16 So in all these cases the Court has said

10 So in all these cases the could has said 17 finality -- the concern -- the very concern you 18 mentioned, Justice Kennedy, is already baked into the 19 Strickland formula.

20JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR:Mr. Fisher, I'm21concerned that creating exceptions to exceptions in22Teague is just a throwback to Linkletter standard --23MR. FISHER:24JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR:24JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR:

25 choices among situations and saying, these will be

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1 retroactive, these won't. 2 MR. FISHER: Yes. 3 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Answer that concern on 4 my part. 5 MR. FISHER: Yes. 6 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: And then answer -- the 7 next step is the Martinez type case --8 MR. FISHER: Yes. 9 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: -- which is what happens 10 with state reviews that are -- that channel IAC claims 11 to their habeas processes. So what trumps what in that 12 situation? 13 MR. FISHER: Okay. Let me answer both those 14 things. First, we're not asking this Court to create 15 an exception to Teague. We're simply asking this Court 16 to say Teague doesn't apply when a claim is, quote, "on 17 the equivalent of direct review," which is what this 18 Court said in Martinez v. Ryan. This Court has already 19 held with respect to IAC that habeas rules, like the procedural default rule and like the Stone v. Powell bar 20 21 against Fourth Amendment claims, don't apply in the IAC 22 context. So this follows exactly from those previous 23 holdings. 24 Now, let me say two other things and then I

25 can hopefully reserve my time. To answer your question

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1 about Martinez in state cases, it would depend on what 2 the state system looked like, and I think states have 3 their own decision to make as to whether they want a 4 system like Arizona's, where these have to be brought in 5 collateral proceedings, or whether, as I understand at least a couple of states do, say, we're going to stay 6 7 and delay the entire direct review process, for years often, to allow the IAC claim to be brought then. 8

9 Now, that's exactly what this Court rejected in 10 Massaro, and the government asked this Court to reject 11 that in Massaro; said we don't want that kind of a 12 system. I don't know why the government is asking for 13 it for the first time today.

14 And finally remember, the last thing I would 15 like to say is, all these problems raise not only 16 finality concerns about the stay and remand procedures 17 the government suggests; they also raise insoluble 18 conflicts of interest problems for federal defender 19 offices, who would have to bring IAC claims against themselves on direct review in order to preserve their 20 21 ability to -- to get full relief for their client. 22 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Perhaps on rebuttal -- I 23 recognize the white light's on -- you could address what is -- what is the standard you want me to apply to 24 25 determine retroactivity? The brief says, oh, well, it's

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just new facts applying to the same general rule. Well, danger invites rescue; the assault on privity is proceeding to pace; MacPherson v. Buick and the Erie Railroad case -- it seems to me that those were probably new rules, but there -- it's because the facts told us what should be negligent. If at some point you could address that, I don't --

8 MR. FISHER: Justice Kennedy, what I would 9 like to do, and I am happy to elaborate, is the 10 formulation as I think you yourself put it in Wright v. 11 West, which is that a rule that is -- that is applied to 12 a new set of facts does not create a new rule; but if 13 you advance the law in some way you do create a new 14 rule.

15 The last thing I would like to say about 16 consequences is: Remember, the government doesn't even 17 have any answer for what is going to be half or more of 18 the situations where people have Padilla-type claims, 19 which is when they have a guilty plea and waive their 20 right to direct appeal. So there the collateral filing 21 like this is -- is absolutely the equivalent of direct 2.2 review. And so I think this Court ought to be very wary 23 of going down that road.

If I could reserve the time I have left.CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Thank you, counsel.

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1	Mr. Dreeben.
2	ORAL ARGUMENT OF MICHAEL R. DREEBEN
3	ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT
4	MR. DREEBEN: Mr. Chief Justice, and may it
5	please the Court:
б	In Padilla v. Kentucky this Court announced
7	a new rule within the meaning of Teague v. Lane.
8	Because
9	JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Do you think that's true
10	with respect to both components of the advice, the
11	omission and commission? I mean, it does appear that
12	every court who dealt with the commission-type claim,
13	the fraud, the misrepresentation of consequences, said
14	it's clear you can't lie to your client. Now, is Teague
15	now going is our ruling here going to depend on the
16	type of claim that's raised, with respect to IAC?
17	MR. DREEBEN: Well, Justice Sotomayor, this
18	Court in Padilla didn't distinguish between misadvice
19	and omissions to give advice. And it therefore
20	adopted
21	JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: At least one of our
22	concurrences did, or talked to. So assuming
23	assuming is your position that is on the
24	retroactivity, that it applies to both kinds, omissions
25	and commissions, and neither is retroactive?

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1	MR. DREEBEN: As for as for Padilla's
2	rationale, the answer is yes, but there is a rationale
3	that governed, in our view, misadvice claims that
4	existed before Padilla. It wasn't addressed or embraced
5	in Padilla. It was addressed in Justice Alito's
6	concurring opinion. Justice Alito gave two reasons
7	which essentially mirrored the reasons that had been
8	given in the lower courts for treating misadvice
9	differently. And that is, affirmative misadvice
10	violated a more basic duty of counsel that was well
11	established, which is not to represent that you're
12	competent on a matter that you are not competent.
13	And the second distinction between misadvice
14	and failure to give any advice is that a client has a
15	constitutional right to make his or her own decision
16	about whether to plead guilty; and a lawyer has a
17	constitutional duty not to get in the way of that by
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	affirmatively skewing the client's ability to make that
19	affirmatively skewing the client's ability to make that choice.
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	choice.
20	choice. And so I would probably not disagree that
20 21	choice. And so I would probably not disagree that misadvice claim was not new before Padilla and it's not

25 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: I'm not sure. Are those

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1 sources -- when you say sources, it's professional norm
2 sources?

3 MR. DREEBEN: It's a different professional 4 norm and it's a different aspect of the Sixth Amendment 5 right. And all of the courts that had adopted misadvice -- there were three of them that had done it 6 7 in the removal context; there were three more that had 8 done it in the parole eligibility context -- they all 9 simultaneously adhered to the view that as a general 10 matter there is no obligation to give advice about 11 collateral consequences.

And they did this, I might add, despite the 12 13 fact that, as Justice Kennedy alluded, the ABA, which 14 was cited as one of the key sources of prevailing professional norms, stated in Standard 14.3.2, in the 15 16 criminal justice pleas of guilty standards: "To the 17 extent possible, defense counsel should determine and 18 advise the defendant sufficiently in advance of any plea 19 as to the possible collateral consequences that might 20 ensue from entry of the contemplated plea."

21 So there was an aspirational professional 22 norm that collateral consequences would be on the table, 23 but all Federal courts that had looked at this question 24 before Padilla had concluded that collateral 25 consequences are outside of the duty of criminal defense

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2	JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Could you tell me
3	where my colleagues were asking about hypothetical
4	future cases I'm asking, do you think that every
5	evolving professional norm, no matter how well
б	established it becomes, would never be subject to the
7	Teague rule because would always be a retroactive
8	application or a new rule?
9	MR. DREEBEN: No, Justice Sotomayor.
10	JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Are we frozen in time to
11	whatever the professional standards are that exist today
12	that the Court has recognized so far?
13	MR. DREEBEN: No, Justice Sotomayor. And I
14	think this is the key point about Strickland.
15	Justice Kennedy made this point in a concurrence in
16	Wright v. West, and it was later cited by the Court
17	as as reflecting an accurate understanding of
18	Strickland. It is a basic norm of professional
19	competence, and it does not turn on professional
20	prevailing professional norms in publications such as
21	the ABA. They are informative.
22	And those norms can evolve. The Court can
23	then announce Sixth Amendment applications of them that
24	will be not not new rules. This Court has decided
25	close to 30 Strickland cases, according to our count

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1 since the 1984 decision in Strickland. 2 JUSTICE SCALIA: What's -- what's the sense 3 of that? Why -- why -- let's assume, you know, at the 4 time the quilty plea or whatever occurred, it was not 5 the professional norm, and then later the professional norms change and he makes the argument that -- that he's 6 7 entitled to relief, and you say yes, because --8 MR. DREEBEN: No, I say no, Justice Scalia, 9 because professional norms are judged as of the time of 10 the attorney's action. So although the professional 11 norms can evolve, Strickland always looks to an actor at 12 the time of the decision. 13 JUSTICE SCALIA: Is that what your opponent 14 contends as well? 15 MR. DREEBEN: I think you probably should ask my opponent what he contends, but Strickland is 16 17 fairly clear that professional norms at the time of the 18 attorney's action are what governs. 19 JUSTICE BREYER: All right, so given the ABA 20 and everything else, why doesn't that apply here? 21 MR. DREEBEN: Well, the ABA doesn't state 22 this Court's interpretation of the Sixth Amendment. 23 This Court made that very clear in Roe versus --JUSTICE BREYER: No, but I mean if the 24 25 general rule is that Strickland evolves to pick up

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1 changing professional norms, and that -- you looked at 2 30 cases and that's what you get out of them -- and then 3 it turns out that at the time this case began, there was 4 such a professional norm; and all that happened in 5 Padilla is that the Court following its general practice said apply that professional norm; then why doesn't the 6 7 other side win? MR. DREEBEN: Well, first of all, 8 9 Justice Breyer, that's not what the Court did in 10 Padilla. What the Court did in Padilla, as Justice 11 Kagan explained, in section two of its opinion was first 12 to address the question whether a criminal defense 13 lawyer had any obligation to give advice about a 14 consequence that would not be administered in the criminal case itself. 15 No decision of this Court had ever held that 16 17 the obligations of a criminal defense lawyer under the 18 Sixth Amendment extended to that. 19 JUSTICE BREYER: That, of course, is true, 20 but the professional norm had evolved by the time of the 21 proceeding here that they would. 22 MR. DREEBEN: That was not the basis of the Court's decision. The Court --23 JUSTICE BREYER: No, but -- in the other --24 25 in the other, by the way, in the other 29 cases, did the

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1 court specifically say in each of those 29 cases that
2 the basis of our decision is that the professional norm
3 has evolved and we apply the new professional norm as of
4 the time?

5 MR. DREEBEN: Most of the cases involved 6 well-settled duties, like the duty to investigate, 7 applied to particular sets of facts. That doesn't 8 generate a new rule.

9 What was unique in Padilla is that the Court 10 had to address something that it had never done before, 11 whether the criminal defense lawyer had to give advice 12 about a consequence that the sentencing court had no 13 control over.

And in resolving that question, this Court did not cite professional norms. It did not cite the ABA. It did not cite any of the defense manuals that recommend that lawyers advise aliens about the possibility of deportation.

19 It instead traced the statutory evolution of 20 the relationship between deportation and criminal 21 justice, it examined its own cases that had discussed 22 what a competent defense lawyer ought to think about, 23 and it discussed statutory evolution. And it drew from 24 that the principle that deportation is uniquely tied to 25 the criminal prosecution in a way that no other

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1 collateral consequence possibly is, and, therefore, the 2 Court did not decide any other collateral consequence. 3 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Well, as I recall, correct 4 me if I'm wrong, one of the principal sources the Court 5 cited in Padilla was common sense. 6 MR. DREEBEN: Yes. 7 JUSTICE KENNEDY: Does common sense change? 8 MR. DREEBEN: Common sense may evolve --9 JUSTICE KENNEDY: I mean, Tom Paine wrote 10 about it, so, you know, since its original. 11 MR. DREEBEN: Justice Kennedy, I think the 12 Court relied on the idea that any lawyer worth his salt 13 would inform a defendant about a particularly important 14 consequence, a momentous consequence of pleading guilty. 15 You probably would say the same thing to 16 somebody who you knew was an avowed hunter and would 17 lose the right to have firearms, or a politician that 18 would lose the right to hold office, or a doctor who 19 would lose a medical license, all of which can be automatic consequences of a conviction; actually, more 20 21 automatic than deportation, because deportation is 22 administered by a separate body, oftentimes by a 23 separate sovereign that has discretion whether to even 24 institute deportation proceedings.

And so the fact that we might all share an

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1 intuition that good lawyers should advise their clients 2 about the panoply of consequences that they will 3 experience by pleading quilty, the reality is that until 4 Padilla, the Court had never veered from the track of 5 saying the lawyer's duty is to help the client figure out what his odds are of prevailing at trial, what the 6 7 sentencing consequences are, whether there are any affirmative defenses, and what the rights are that the 8 9 client would give up by pleading guilty.

JUSTICE GINSBURG: Mr. Dreeben, Padilla itself was a collateral proceeding. And if the state can argue in Padilla itself that a new rule was being sought and that that was permissible only on direct review, should the state have prevailed?

MR. DREEBEN: No, Justice Ginsburg, because this Court held in Danforth v. Minnesota that Teague is an interpretation of the Federal habeas statute. It's an implied delegation to the Court to frame appropriate rules for Federal collateral review.

20 JUSTICE GINSBURG: But this Court is a 21 Federal court, so --

22 MR. DREEBEN: Well, this --

JUSTICE GINSBURG: -- if your concern of Teague is comity, concern about -- the states running their own system, I understand the different - the

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1 state collateral and the Federal collateral view; but, 2 if the idea of Teaque is we don't want the Federal court 3 to come in there and overlook what the state court did, 4 why wouldn't that apply to this court reviewing a state 5 court decision as much as it would apply to a Federal district court at a hearing habeas from a state 6 7 conviction?

8 MR. DREEBEN: Well, Danforth made clear that 9 states have discretion whether to adopt Teague-like 10 rules. They do not have to. They can allow their 11 citizens to have the benefit of new rules in state convictions. And this Court is doing nothing other than 12 13 honoring the state's own policy choice.

14 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Well, do we know that 15 that's true in Kentucky?

16 MR. DREEBEN: I think Kentucky does have a 17 Teague-type rule, but the Kentucky Supreme Court decided 18 the issue on the merits. The state never raised Teague 19 here. Teaque is waivable. So even if you do not agree with me, Justice Ginsburg, that Danforth means that 20 21 Teague had no relevance whatsoever, Teague was waived by the state. The state never addressed it. And this --2.2 JUSTICE GINSBURG: And this Court could not 23 have raised it on its own? 24 25

MR. DREEBEN: Could have, but didn't. There

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is nothing in the majority opinion that says that Teague
 is an issue.

3 Now, again, when I say could have, but 4 didn't, that reflects the -- the reality that this Court 5 can do certain things sua sponte. I do not think that in a case coming from a state system Teague has anything 6 7 to do with it. Whether this Court is reviewing the case 8 on direct review from a state system or reviewing a 9 state collateral proceeding, Teague is not an issue. 10 It's solely an issue when you have a 2254 proceeding or 11 a 2255 proceeding.

12 JUSTICE KENNEDY: What is -- what is the 13 standard that you wish us to apply? A new rule is 14 announced when -- when you fill in the blank. And after you fill in the blank, is your principal argument that 15 16 here the distinction is between the direct consequences 17 of the conviction that are under the control of the 18 Court and collateral consequences? Two different 19 questions.

20 MR. DREEBEN: Justice Kennedy, my test is 21 not a new rule. My test for Teague new rules is this 22 Court's test: Whether the decision was dictated by 23 precedent so that any reasonable jurist would have 24 reached that result, or, to put it another way, that no 25 reasonable jurist could not have.

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JUSTICE KENNEDY: That's a little bit like
 the AEDPA standard.

3 MR. DREEBEN: It's similar. I think the 4 Court has said that things that don't count as new rules 5 under Teague can also be cognizable under AEDPA. AEDPA 6 has a contrary to provision, as well as an unreasonable 7 application provision, as Mr. Fisher pointed out; but, 8 as far as the contrary to provision works, it parallels 9 Teague.

10 So we're not asking the Court to make any 11 new rules up about Teague. We're asking the Court to --12 to apply Teague.

13 And in the application of Teague, the 14 government is relying on this Court's form of analysis, 15 which is you look at the state of the law at the time of 16 the decision in question, when the decision became 17 final, and you ask whether precedent compelled the 18 result that a later decision reached. And --19 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Have we applied -- have we applied Teague to Federal convictions before? 20 21 MR. DREEBEN: This Court has not, except in the sense that in Bousley v. United States, the Court 22 23 ran through a Teague analysis before holding that a 24 substantive interpretation of a Federal statute is not 25 captured by Teague. So, in that sense, the Court has

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1 presumed the applicability, but it hasn't squarely held 2 it. 3 JUSTICE GINSBURG: It hasn't. 4 And at least one important basis for the 5 Teague rule is the comity to the state court system, which you don't have when the underlying conviction is a 6 7 Federal conviction. 8 MR. DREEBEN: True, Justice Ginsburg, but this Court has also recognized that Federal courts have 9 10 an interest in the finality of Federal convictions 11 that's every bit as strong as state courts. 12 And so, for example, in 13 United States v. Frady, the Court applied the procedural 14 default rule exactly the same as it applies in state 15 cases to Federal 2255 proceedings. 16 JUSTICE KENNEDY: But the second part of my 17 question that you were about to answer was whether or 18 not it's dictated by precedent, and in this case, it was 19 not dictated by precedent because it applied to 20 collateral consequences; or, what's the because? 21 MR. DREEBEN: Well, there are two becauses. 22 One is no court had held, as this Court did in Padilla, 23 that deportation, though not administered by the sentencing court, was so intimately tied to the criminal 24 25 case that the direct collateral distinction was not

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useful in this context. There was no precedent that
 dictated that.

And then, more generally, as you're suggesting, Justice Kennedy, the lower courts had all adopted the direct collateral reviews. Ten courts of appeals in published decisions, the Sixth Circuit in an unpublished decision, 28 states and the District of Columbia had all adhered to that line.

9 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: So unanimous error makes 10 right?

11 I'm not being -- I'm not trying to be 12 sarcastic. I'm trying to see -- in almost every case we 13 get here, there are split opinions below. Sometimes the 14 split is significant or closer than other times. The -where do we draw that line? Where in the next case is 15 16 any time there is a split below or where there's an 17 unanimity of opinion below, it won't fall under -- it 18 will automatically create a new rule?

MR. DREEBEN: I would not suggest that the Court adopt a mechanical approach. Here, all of the factors that the Court has looked at all align in the same direction. The lower courts, Federal courts, had all agreed that deportation was not the subject of a duty of advice. The majority of the States had held the same.

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1	This Court's decision in Padilla was
2	significantly splintered, with four justices challenging
3	the majority's rule as a dramatic expansion and upheaval
4	in Sixth Amendment law. And then when you actually look
5	at the Court's Sixth Amendment jurisprudence, Padilla
6	did not claim that any decision was controlling of its
7	holding.
8	The closest case was the Hill case,
9	Hill v. Lockhart, and in that case the Court approached
10	a collateral consequence, namely, parole eligibility
11	dates, and it said: We don't have to decide that issue
12	on whether parole eligibility dates can be the subject
13	of a Strickland claim, because Hill had failed to show
14	prejudice. And therefore, it was recognized as an open
15	issue whether a consequence that's not administered by
16	the sentencing court could be within Strickland.
17	So when you have the coalescence of all of
18	those factors, I don't think that's a case where the
19	Court has to draw a fine line between when a sufficient
20	split below is enough to
21	JUSTICE BREYER: Can you go back for a
22	second to Justice Ginsburg's question? I'd like I
23	just don't want you to leave without without
24	answering the following: Normally a new rule that this
25	Court announces would apply to cases on direct review.

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1	MR. DREEBEN: Correct.
2	JUSTICE BREYER: Right. In the case of
3	inadequate assistance of counsel, without being picky,
4	the place where that claim is best developed, in my view
5	is first collateral, because for reasons we both
6	understand. All right. So given the fact that by and
7	large it is, and I think should be, developed in that
8	way, why not treat in the case of an inadequate
9	assistance claim the first collateral as in other claims
10	you treat direct review?
11	MR. DREEBEN: Justice Breyer, let me give
12	you a merits answer to that question, and then an answer
13	on why I do not think Petitioner has fairly preserved or
14	presented that issue to this Court.
15	The merits answer is that Teague reflects a
16	fundamental judgment that when a case is final on its
17	direct review, society has a strong interest in
18	protecting that judgment. And the exception to that is
19	when the state or the Federal government has not
20	conformed to existing constitutional law.
21	Now, bringing that down to earth for
22	ineffective assistance claims, at the time that Ms.
23	Chaidez's conviction became final, and all convictions
24	that became final before Padilla, jurisdictions had no
25	reason to think that they needed to protect against the

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possibility that a criminal defense lawyer would not
 have advised about deportation, because the unanimous
 view was that's not something that's the Sixth Amendment
 duty.

5 Immediately after Padilla came down 6 reflecting that it was, the Criminal Rules Committee 7 began considering an amendment to Rule 11, which is now 8 pending before the Judicial Conference, that would 9 require judges to advise defendants about the 10 possibility of deportation consequences. In other 11 words --

JUSTICE GINSBURG: It was -- it was approvedby the Judicial Conference in September.

14 MR. DREEBEN: I will accept that, if that's15 correct, Justice Ginsburg.

16 The point is that as soon as Padilla made it 17 clear that a constitutional rule about defense counsel 18 could threaten the finality of guilty pleas, the Rules 19 Committee has taken steps to protect the integrity of 20 federal judgments through a Rule 11 amendment. It had 21 no opportunity or reason to do that -- I can't say no 22 opportunity, but it had no reason to do that as a constitutional matter until the Court decided Padilla. 23 And so there is a logical relationship between --24 25 JUSTICE BREYER: You could say that, you

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1 could say that same thing precisely about the cases on 2 direct review which have not been completed. I mean, 3 you could give all those arguments exactly the same. Ιf 4 you're worried about the time, you could have time 5 limits on the first Federal -- the first Federal habeas or state habeas. 6 7 There are time limits there. You could add to those. And the -- the -- the direct review is itself 8 9 a balance. It's a balance between the surprise and need 10 to complicate the case, and it hasn't really finished 11 and da, da, da, versus the problem of giving a person a 12 chance to raise this argument even for a new rule. 13 MR. DREEBEN: Yes. I --14 JUSTICE BREYER: And so all those -- those are the -- when you look at the functional factors, it 15 16 looks quite similar to me and I'm trying to --17 MR. DREEBEN: I don't think that it's quite 18 identical, Justice Breyer, but there are additional 19 considerations that are at stake here, too. First of 20 all, Massaro, which Mr. Fisher relies on, doesn't 21 preclude a defendant from raising a claim on direct 22 review. It says that it's not a procedural default if 23 he does not do that. A criminal defendant will probably 24 not be in great shape to raise a -- a new rule claim on direct review, but he also will not be in great shape to 25

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1 raise it on collateral review.

2 Unless this Court alters its Sixth Amendment 3 holdings, such a defendant will be pro se, they will not 4 have a lawyer, they will be pretty much in the same fix 5 that they are in on direct review.

6 Now, if this Court announces that new rules 7 under Strickland are not going to be applied to 8 defendants whose convictions became final, then those defendants who want to raise a new rule claim are on 9 10 notice that they'll need to do it on direct review. 11 Courts of appeals will be on notice that if someone 12 raises such a claim, the appropriate thing to do is to 13 adjudicate it or remand for its adjudication.

14 Now, right now the D.C. Circuit doesn't follow Massaro. It does remand ineffective assistance 15 16 claims. Mr. Fisher said he was unable to locate any 17 cases where this actually happened. You don't have to 18 look any further than down the road to the arguments 19 next week in Smith v. United States, which involves a different issue, but the D.C. Circuit remanded an 20 21 ineffectiveness claim in that case to the district court 22 in direct review. It has a practice of doing that. 23 This is actually a much easier process to 24 administer than a general exception to Massaro, 25 because --

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1 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: We -- we're seeming to 2 go backwards. You -- you seem to be arguing against 3 something that you didn't want previously, that there 4 should be a stay and determine these IAC claims on 5 direct appeal. It seems to be your argument that that's the preferred process now. 6 7 MR. DREEBEN: It's not a preferred process 8 for ineffectiveness claims generally. I think Massaro makes that clear. But you have to understand how rare a 9 10 new rule under Strickland really is, the way that the 11 Court has administered Strickland to date. 12 Applications of the existing Strickland 13 standard to particular sets of facts are not new rules. 14 That's why in the 28 years since Strickland none of this 15 Court's decisions, and there are about 30 of them, under 16 Strickland added up to a new rule. Padilla broke ground 17 because it answered the question, not how does 18 Strickland apply, but whether it applies at all to 19 something outside the compass of the sentencing court. 20 And so in that respect, there's no reason 21 why the standard practice under Massaro should change if this Court were to address the issue and make clearer 22 23 that new rules are not going to be applied on collateral 24 review. 25 JUSTICE KAGAN: Mr. Dreeben, if

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1 Justice Breyer were right, that there should be sort of 2 one run -- run up the flagpole and that Teague doesn't 3 kick in until that one run up the flagpole and here 4 because of Massaro the one run should include collateral 5 review of IAC claims, if that's right, what are the costs of that? Is that an extra year to the statute of 6 7 limitations for bringing a collateral claim or is it 8 something more than that?

9 MR. DREEBEN: It could be something more 10 than that, because if the Court announces a new rule and 11 makes it retroactive to a case on collateral review, 12 (f)(3) of the statute of limitations provision gives the 13 defendant another 1 year. And I think this case 14 actually illustrates the mischief of that. This case doesn't arise on collateral review. It arises on coram 15 16 nobis 5 years after the conviction became final.

17 Now, if Petitioner were really serious that 18 this Court should carve out from Teague ineffectiveness 19 claims and adopt a rule just like the one that it did in 20 Martinez v. Ryan, which is what he says on page 31 of 21 his brief, then the Court should not give him the benefit of that rule, because Ms. Chaidez was on 22 23 probation for 4 years after her conviction, she could have raised this claim after her conviction and sued. 24 She did not do that. She had her opportunity. 25 She

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didn't take advantage of it. And I think this helps
 underscore why, if I can turn to this issue not being
 properly presented in the Court.

Petitioner did not raise the ineffective
assistance of counsel type carve-out from Teague that
Mr. Fisher raises in this case.

7 That debuted for the first time in his 8 merits brief after certiorari was granted. The government acquiesced to get resolution of the new rule 9 10 guestion that had divided the circuits and that will 11 exist. However this Court resolves this case, if it 12 chooses to resolve it on the Massaro grounds, the new 13 rule issue will still be salient for the States, it's 14 still a circuit conflict that the Court needs to 15 address. It was not raised below, it wasn't raised in 16 the certiorari petition.

The en banc petition raised a very general argument that Teague should not apply to federal convictions along the lines of what Justice Ginsburg asked me about, whether comity concerns and their absence meant there should be a difference.

So you've got an argument that, so far as I can tell, has never been made to any Federal court before it's been made to this Court, and it would be remarkable for the Court to adopt that and then have to

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1 figure out, how does it apply. Does Teague ever kick 2 in? Is it a permanent exemption for ineffective 3 assistance claims? 4 Lots of questions that no lower court has 5 looked at, and that I would suggest this Court should not be the first to answer. 6 7 It also raises an entirely new set of 8 questions about whether Brady -- which also are kinds of claims that are typically raised on collateral review --9 10 should now be exempt from Teague jurisprudence? 11 I think the Court would really be engaging 12 in kind of a sort of examination of Teague that had 13 never happened before. It's sort of like experimental 14 surgery on Teague. Shouldn't really happen in this 15 Court in the first instance. 16 JUSTICE GINSBURG: Although you said you 17 recognize that we have not had a Teague case involving a 18 Federal conviction, I mean, there is lots of language in 19 Teaque cases about the Federal courts not interfering 20 with state courts, that Teague was intended to minimize 21 Federal intrusion into state criminal proceedings, to 22 limit the authority of the Federal courts to overturn 23 state convictions. I mean, we have really pressed 24 that -- that basis. MR. DREEBEN: True, but Petitioner is not 25

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pressing that basis on this Court. He's all but disavowed it. He's not seriously argued it in response to our brief that opposed his brand new ineffectiveness carveout from Teague. What he has done instead is

concentrated much more on an analogy to Massaro.

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6 If I could give one more reason why I think 7 the Court should refrain from entertaining that 8 Massaro-based analogy here, the Court has just begun to 9 embark in the Martinez v. Ryan line of cases on trying 10 to figure out how ineffectiveness claims should be 11 handled on collateral review.

12 It grants its certiorari on Monday in 13 Trevino v. Thaler, where it's going to explore how does 14 Martinez apply in a jurisdiction that may be more like 15 the Federal system in that ineffective assistance of 16 counsel claims aren't channeled only to direct review, 17 they can be asserted on direct -- I'm sorry -- only to 18 collateral review, they can be asserted on direct 19 review. They are channeled largely to collateral 20 review, but not as a matter of law.

21 So the Court has a lot of work to do in 22 figuring out what that decision means. And I think 23 rather than embark on a brand new process of applying 24 that kind of reasoning in a case where it was never 25 raised below, where the government never really had the

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1 opportunity to counter any of those arguments, and the 2 lower court never had the opportunity to consider them, it's not a wise use of the Court's resources. 3 4 Instead, resolving the new rule question 5 that has divided the circuits would provide an answer for us and the 28 states that filed an amicus brief that 6 7 supported the United States on the new rule question, and would result, I think, appropriately, in concluding 8 that Padilla was a new rule, unique among this Court's 9 10 Strickland jurisprudence up to that time, and is not 11 available to cases on collateral review. 12 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Thank you, counsel. 13 Mr. Fisher, you have two minutes remaining. 14 REBUTTAL ARGUMENT OF JEFFREY L. FISHER 15 ON BEHALF OF THE PETITIONER 16 MR. FISHER: Thank you. 17 I'd like to make two points. 18 The first is, picking up where Mr. Dreeben 19 left off, I'm not asking for any anything that is 20 difficult. 21 Mr. Dreeben referred to the Frady case, 22 where this Court held that there is enough of an 23 interest in finality to have procedural default apply to federal post-conviction review. Yet, in Massaro, this 24 25 Court carved out IAC claims.

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1	Exactly the same analysis applies here, and
2	I do think the Court really ought to answer that
3	question in this case because, if you hold that Padilla
4	is a new rule and that Teague now applies to IAC claims,
5	rest assured the Federal courthouses are going to be
6	flooded, flooded with Federal with Federal defenders
7	and other criminal lawyers raising IAC claims on direct
8	review. There'd be nothing else a responsible lawyer
9	could do, because if you say Teague applies on if you
10	wait until collateral review, but it doesn't apply on
11	direct review, any responsible lawyer seeking to protect
12	his client has to bring it on direct review. It's going
13	to absolutely change the way criminal procedure and
14	criminal appellate procedure happens in the Federal
15	court system.
16	The second point I wanted to make is back to
17	the new rule question. I think I heard Mr. Dreeben say
18	that the lower courts that had said that misadvice about
19	deportation consequences violated Strickland had said
20	something that was within Strickland that didn't

21 constitute a new rule. So it can't be that Strickland 22 broke new ground, if he's correct, by saying deportation 23 advice falls within the ambit of the Sixth Amendment in 24 a guilty plea context.

The only thing he relies on in the end is

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this distinction the lower courts had drawn between acts
 and omissions. And that's exactly the distinction in
 Strickland that this Court rejected.

And in Padilla itself, this Court used the word absurd. And I think, Justice Kennedy, when you mentioned commonsense, I think we could throw that in, too.

8 And so to the extent that the argument, at 9 the end of the day when everything's stripped away, is 10 that the lower courts were reasonable in saying that 11 failing to advise about the most important thing a 12 client would have been thinking as to whether to plead guilty is not ineffective assistance of counsel, whereas 13 14 giving bad advice is, that's a line that Strickland 15 itself rejected, that Flores-Ortega rejected when it 16 came to the right to appeal and whether the lawyer ought 17 to give advice; and, it's a line that this Court in 18 Padilla had no difficulty whatsoever rejecting and 19 called it absurd.

JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: Mr. Fisher, can I go back to one of your points? Your red light is on, but it is important. The floodgate issue.

23 MR. FISHER: Yes.

24 JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR: I'm not sure about the 25 floodgates for the following reason. Once we announce

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1 Padilla, any pending direct claim and any pending collateral claim that arises after Padilla for something 2 3 that happened after Padilla would be covered by the 4 rule, so there'd be no bar to those claims. So the 5 floodgate is temporary, if there is --6 MR. FISHER: No, it's not, 7 Justice Sotomayor. 8 The issue arises because Teague ordinarily 9 comes into play when somebody asks the Court to create a new rule and apply it to him. So all the hypotheticals 10 11 we've talked about today, about would Strickland apply here, would Strickland apply there, to parole advice, to 12 professional license, all of those claims would be 13 14 asking, if the government's correct, for a new rule. CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: Thank you, counsel. 15 16 MR. FISHER: And so all of those claims 17 would have to be brought. 18 Thank you. 19 CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERTS: The case is 20 submitted. 21 (Whereupon, at 11:02 a.m., the case in the 2.2 above-entitled matter was submitted.) 23 24 25

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