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(United States First Circuit) - In a suit involving a test used to determine promotions for police officers, claiming that the use of a particular test resulted in an unjustified "disparate impact" in violation of Title VII notwithstanding the absence of any intent to discriminate on the basis of race, 42 U.S.C. section 2000e-2(k)(1)(A)(i), the District Court's judgment is affirmed where it applied the correct law and committed no clear error in finding persuasive the expert evidence tendered by defendant.

US v. Berrios-Bonilla

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(United States First Circuit) - Conviction for weapons possession, 18 U.S.C. sections 922(g)(1) and (o)(1), and witness tampering in violation of 18 U.S.C. section 1512(b)(1), is affirmed over defendant's challenges to the sufficiency of the evidence supporting his convictions and to several procedural errors.