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#### **US v. Ocean**

September 11, 2018

Criminal Law & Procedure

(United States First Circuit) - Affirmed two men's convictions of a conspiracy to distribute cocaine base. The defendants raised a variety of constitutional and evidentiary arguments against their convictions. However, the First Circuit found no error in any of their claims of error.

#### **US v. Irizarry-Rosario**

September 10, 2018

Sentencing, Criminal Law & Procedure

(United States First Circuit) - Held that the government did not breach its plea agreement with a defendant by arguing, at least implicitly, that the agreed-upon 60-month sentence for his weapons charge was too low. The defendant contended that prosecutors undercut the plea deal. Finding no breach of the parties' agreement, the First Circuit affirmed.