

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

COMMISSIONERS: **Lina M. Khan, Chair**
 Noah Joshua Phillips
 Rebecca Kelly Slaughter
 Christine S. Wilson

In the Matter of

TWITTER, Inc.,
a corporation.

Docket No. C-4316

DECISION

The Federal Trade Commission (“Commission”) issued a Decision and Order against Twitter, Inc. (“Twitter”) in Docket C-4316 on March 2, 2011 (“2011 order”).¹ On May 25, 2022, the United States of America, acting upon notification and authorization to the Attorney General by the Commission, filed a complaint (“2022 complaint”) in federal district court alleging that Twitter violated the 2011 order by misrepresenting the extent to which it maintained and protected the privacy of nonpublic consumer information. The complaint also alleged that Twitter violated Section 5 of the FTC Act by misrepresenting how it would use telephone numbers and email addresses that users provided to enable a security feature.

On May 26, 2022, Magistrate Judge Thomas S. Hixson in the District for the Northern District of California entered a Stipulated Order for Civil Penalty, Monetary Judgment, and Injunctive Relief (“Stipulated Order”) resolving the 2022 complaint. In Section II of the Stipulated Order, Twitter consented to: (1) reopening the 2011 proceeding in FTC Docket No. C-4316; (2) waiving its rights under the show cause procedures set forth in Section 3.72(b) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 3.72(b); and (3) modifying the 2011 Order with the new Decision and Order set forth below.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission has determined that it is in the public interest to reopen the proceeding in Docket No. C-4316 pursuant to Commission Rule 3.72(b), 16 C.F.R. § 3.72(b), and to issue a new order as set forth below. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that this matter be, and it hereby is, reopened; and

¹ *In the Matter of Twitter, Inc.*, C-4316, 151 FTC LEXIS 162 (F.T.C. March 2, 2011).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, Twitter having consented to modifying the 2011 order as set forth below, the Commission hereby modifies the 2011 order with the attached Decision and Order.

By the Commission.

April J. Tabor
Secretary

SEAL:
ISSUED: May 26, 2022