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### Nader Appeals Dismissal Of Ruling on I.T.T. Merger

HARTFORD, April 19 (UPI)—Ralph Nader, the consumer advocate, has filed an appeal with the Connecticut Supreme Court of an earlier lower court ruling that dismissed his challenge of the merger of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation and the Hartford Fire Insurance Company.

The appeal filed today says that Superior Court Judge Walter J. Sidor made an error when he concluded that the plaintiffs in the Nader suit did not have legal standing to challenge the merger.

It contends further that, on the basis of the evidence presented, Judge Sidor should have ruled that the decision of a former state insurance commissioner, William R. Cotter, approving the merger was illegal and arbitrary.