# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO Judge William J. Martínez

Criminal Case No. 19-cr-257-WJM

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

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ERIC KING,

Defendant.

# TRIAL DECORUM ORDER

To ensure that the trial and related proceedings in this matter are conducted in an orderly manner conducive to a fair adjudication, and to facilitate appropriate access to the Court both for those involved in and attending the trial of this matter as well as for those with other cases and business before the Court, the Court hereby ORDERS as follows:

# **JURY SELECTION PROCEDURES**

- On Monday, March 14, 2022, prospective jurors will report to the Alfred A.
  Arraj Courthouse for participation in the jury selection process.
- 2. Because the number of prospective jurors reporting in this case will fill the available seating capacity of Courtroom A801 during initial jury selection, no public seating will be available in Courtroom A801 during the jury selection process.
  - 3. The public will have access to the jury selection proceedings by way of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All references to the "public" include members of the media.

public access telephone line. For public audio access to the hearing, call 877-336-1828 and enter access code 9449909#.

# **TRIAL**

- 4. All phases of the jury trial will be conducted in Courtroom A801.
- 5. The courthouse will open at 7:00 a.m. each morning. To enter the courthouse, all individuals must present valid, government-issued photo identification, such as a driver's license or passport.
- 6. The courthouse will close at 6:00 p.m. each evening. All members of the public must exit the courthouse before this time.
- 7. No device whose exclusive or principal use is as a camera or video recorder may be brought into or used in the courthouse or any location in which court business and proceedings are conducted. There is absolutely no photography or recording permitted anywhere within the courthouse.

# TRIAL COURTROOM

8. Trial will generally be conducted Monday through Friday from 8:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Courtroom A801 will open to parties, their attorneys, and credentialed members of each party's trial team between 8:00 and 8:15 a.m. each morning, and those persons must enter the courtroom promptly at that time. The courtroom will open to the public between 8:15 and 8:30 a.m., and all members of the public must be seated by 8:30 a.m. The Court will typically bring in the jurors and begin trial proceedings at 8:45 a.m. Counsel must inform the Court as far as possible in advance if they anticipate the need to address any matters outside the presence of the jury. There will generally be a 60-75 minute lunch recess, as well as a mid-morning and mid-afternoon break,

each lasting approximately 15-20 minutes. The Court will direct the exact schedule each day, and this schedule is subject to modifications as required during the course of trial.

- 9. The public may not bring electronic devices of any kind (cell phones, laptops, iPads, etc.) inside the courtroom. It is strongly encouraged that members of the public not bring any electronic devices to the courthouse. Any member of the public attempting to enter the courtroom with a prohibited electronic device will be removed from the courthouse and will not be permitted re-entry.
- 10. Attorneys of record and their ancillary legal support staff, court staff, and court security staff may have cell phones, PDAs, Blackberries, iPhones, tablets, laptops, or other digital or electronic devices in the courtroom only for use for trial purposes, and provided that any audio, video, or image recording functions on those devices are not utilized.
- 11. Members of the public may not sit in designated spaces in the gallery numbered 13-16 and 26-29.
- 12. Attendees in the courtroom may not converse or make gestures that are disruptive to the proceedings or distract jurors or witnesses. Attendees in the courtroom must remain seated during all proceedings, and may not leave the courtroom until the Court recesses.
- 13. No one observing the trial proceedings in the courtroom or any other location within the courthouse may wear or carry any clothing, buttons, or other items that carry any message or symbol addressing the issues related to this case that may be or become visible to the jury. This includes a prohibition of any sign or clothing

bearing the name or likeness of any of the parties. No banners, posters, or similar items are permitted within the courthouse.

- 14. No food or beverages, with the exception of water, will be permitted in the gallery.
- 15. One or more courtroom security officers shall be present in the courtroom to ensure compliance with this Order.

# **PUBLIC ACCESS**

- 16. All members of the public will sit in only those designated numbered seats reserved in the gallery for members of the public. Any overflow may wait quietly outside of the courtroom, and shall refrain from engaging in any conduct which may disrupt the trial proceedings.
- 17. The public will have access to the trial by way of the public access line. For public audio access to the hearing, call 877-336-1828 and enter access code 9449909#.

# **MEDIA ACCESS**

- 18. There will be no reserved seating for media. All available public seating will be shared between media and the public on a first-come first-served basis.
  - 19. Telephone calls must be made and answered outside of the courtroom.
- 20. Interviews or broadcasts of any kind are not permitted inside the courthouse.

# **JUROR CONTACT AND SECURITY**

21. Following and/or contacting jurors outside of the courtroom, obtaining their license plate numbers, photographing them, or attempting in any way to obtain their

identities is prohibited.

- 22. Conversations, interviews, and written communications with prospective jurors, and with seated members of the jury before the Court has discharged the jury, are prohibited.
- 23. After the jury has rendered its verdict and has been discharged by the Court, any juror may consent to be interviewed by the media or other persons. Jurors are not obligated to discuss this case with anyone at the trial's conclusion, and if any juror indicates a desire not to discuss the trial or to be contacted, there shall be no further attempts to contact or communicate with that juror.

# WITNESSES

24. Prospective trial witnesses shall arrive well in advance of the time they are anticipated to testify and proceed to Courtroom A801. A witness seclusion order will be in effect. No witnesses may enter the courtroom before their testimony. All witnesses shall wait in the small room marked "Witness Waiting Room," located on the left (south) side of the alcove outside Courtroom A801.

# OTHER PROVISIONS

- 25. The United States Marshal and his Deputies are responsible for maintaining order and decorum in the courthouse. All persons attending or participating in this trial must promptly comply with any orders given by the Marshal or his Deputies. All other areas must remain clear for ingress and egress to the courthouse.
- 26. The Court's ongoing duty to conduct this trial in a safe and orderly manner may result in the modification or amendment of any of the requirements of this Order.

27. Any violation of the terms of this Order or of any Order issued by the presiding judge, the Court's rules, the Local Rules of this District will be grounds for removal from the courthouse, and/or for imposing other sanctions for contempt of court.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

BY THE COURT:

William J. Martínez

United States District Judge