

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	:	
	:	
v.	:	<b>Case No. 21-cr-290 (RBW)</b>
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<b>JEFFREY ALEXANDER SMITH,</b>	:	
<b>also known as Alex Smith,</b>	:	
	:	
<b>Defendant.</b>	:	

**JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE STATUS HEARING**

The United States of America and defendant Jeffrey Alexander Smith, by and through their counsel, respectfully move the Court to continue the status hearing presently scheduled for September 3, 2021, and to toll the Speedy Trial Act clock from September 3, 2021, until the date of the next status/plea hearing. As grounds for this motion the parties provide the following:

1. The United States and the defendant have just reached a plea agreement in principle. The government will be drafting the plea documents which will then be reviewed by officials at Main Justice. Once those documents are approved by Main Justice, they will be presented for review to the defendant and his counsel.

2. Additionally, defendant's counsel, John Rice, will likely be unavailable on September 3 due to the death of his mother. Her funeral is scheduled to take place on the east coast the day following the presently scheduled hearing. Mr. Rice will be traveling from the west coast to attend the funeral.

3. The parties would like to reschedule the status/plea hearing for a date in late October.

4. The parties, including the defendant, agree to toll the Speedy Trial clock to allow for the preparation of the plea documents and for the review of the documents by Main Justice, the defendant, and Mr. Rice. The parties also request that the Court make findings that the ends of justice served by tolling the Speedy Trial clock for these reasons outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

5. Counsel for the defendant has authorized the undersigned to make these representations and to file this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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**ORDER CONTINUING STATUS HEARING**

This matter is presently before the Court on the Joint Motion to Continue Status Hearing. For the reasons discussed in the Joint Motion, it is hereby

ORDERED that the status hearing scheduled for September 3, 2021, is hereby vacated. It is further

ORDERED that the status hearing is rescheduled for \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_. It is further

ORDERED that for the reasons discussed in the Joint Motion, the ends of justice served by tolling the Speedy Trial clock outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

ORDERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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REGGIE B. WALTON  
United States District Judge