

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

JOSEPH W. FISCHER,  
Defendant.

Case: 1:21-mj-00237  
Assigned to: Judge Harvey, G. Michael  
Assign Date: 2/17/2021  
Description: COMPLAINT W/ARREST WARRANT

**VIOLATIONS:**

**18 U.S.C. § 231(a)(3)**  
**(Obstruction of Law Enforcement During**  
**Civil Disorder)**

**18 U.S.C. § 1512(c)(2)**  
**(Obstruction of Justice/ Congress)**

**18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1) and (2)**  
**(Restricted Building or Grounds)**

**40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(D) and (G)**  
**(Violent Entry or Disorderly Conduct)**

**ORDER**

This matter having come before the Court pursuant to the application of the United States to seal criminal complaint, the Court finds that, because of such reasonable grounds to believe the disclosure will result in flight from prosecution, destruction of or tampering with evidence, intimidation of potential witnesses, and serious jeopardy to the investigation, the United States has established that a compelling governmental interest exists to justify the requested sealing.

1. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the application is hereby GRANTED, and that the affidavit in support of criminal complaint and other related materials, the instant application to seal, and this Order are sealed until the arrest warrant is executed.

2. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk's office shall delay any entry on the public docket of the arrest warrant until it is executed.

Date:



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G. MICHAEL HARVEY  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE