

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	
	:	
v.	:	
	:	Case Number: 1:21-cr-00537-TJK
RYAN SAMSEL	:	
	:	
Defendant.	:	Hon. Timothy J. Kelly

**GOVERNMENT’S MOTION FOR EXCLUDABLE DELAY AND FOR TRIAL DATE OF
JANUARY 6, 2022**

The Government respectfully requests that the Court set a status hearing date of October 14, 2021 and a trial date of January 13, 2022 and that the Court find that the time period between September 23, 2021 and January 13, 2022 constitute excludable delay.

As an initial matter, substantial discovery has already been provided in this case. However, because the defendant’s criminal acts took place at the same general time and location as many other charged crimes, the government’s investigation into the breach of the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021(the “Capitol Breach”) has resulted in the accumulation and creation of a massive volume of data that may be relevant to many defendants. The government understands the magnitude and complexity of the discovery project presented by the January 6 attack on the Capitol. In particular, as alleged here, the Defendant, along with other rioters, pushed and pulled on metal barricades until the crowd successfully pushed the barricades down and on top of the officers (among other actions taken by the Defendant on January 6, 2021). Thus, the Defendant’s case, like other Capitol Breach cases, implicates discovery from other defendants. The discovery specific to the Defendant is also voluminous, including thousands of pages of materials, extractions from cellular phones, medical records for O-1, evidence regarding defendants who also

participated in the alleged assault, and vast numbers of videos and screenshots.

Moreover, the Defendant's has recently retained a new set of attorney to represent him, after terminating three prior sets of counsel. The newly retained attorneys will need time to review and evaluate all of this evidence, some of which can only be reviewed at the U.S. Attorney's Office. In addition, the Government's investigation is ongoing. For example, the Government has just recently on September 21, 2021 interviewed another law enforcement officer and the Government anticipates a Superseding Indictment will be filed with additional charges regarding Defendant Samsel's interactions with that officer on January 6, 2021. Further, the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic has slowed the process of doing in-person meetings, investigating, and interviewing potential victims and witnesses. Finally, the parties have not yet had the opportunity to engage in meaningful plea discussions.

The Government thus moves for a finding of excludable delay between the dates of September 23, 2021 and January 13, 2022. As set forth above, this case is "unusual and complex" due to the nature of the prosecution and involves substantial amount of discovery. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(ii), *see also* § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv), and that, therefore, this time should be excluded in calculating the time within which the defendant must be brought to trial under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(c)(1). The excludable delay requested is reasonable and necessary so that defendant can fully prepare for trial and review the voluminous evidence in this case. Accordingly, the Government requests that the Court find that pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), the time period shall constitute excludable delay and that the ends of justice served outweigh the best interests of the defendant and the public in a speedy trial. The Government has conferred with the defense, who indicate they oppose this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On September 23, 2021, the undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was electronically filed and served via the CM/ECF system, which will automatically send electronic notification of such filing to all registered parties.

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