

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
)
 v.) Case No. 1:21-cr-00263-TSC
)
RUSSELL DEAN ALFORD)

**Unopposed Motion for Payment of Travel Expenses
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 4285**

Mr. Russell D. Alford, by and through counsel, respectfully moves this Honorable Court for an order directing the United States Marshal Service to make, at its expense, round-trip travel arrangements for Mr. Alford to travel from his home in Hokes Bluff, Alabama, to Washington, D.C., for the trial set before this Court on September 27, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Alford further requests the USMS be ordered to furnish subsistence expenses to his destination, in accordance with the amount authorized as a per diem allowance for travel pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 5702(a).

In support, counsel respectfully submits the following:

1. Mr. Alford has previously been adjudged indigent and determined to qualify for appointed counsel.
2. This cause is set for a jury trial before this Honorable Court on Tuesday, September 27, 2022. (Dkt. entry of July 1, 2022.)
3. Mr. Alford resides in Hokes Bluff, Alabama, and is unable to pay the cost of transportation to the District of Columbia for his trial.
4. This Court is empowered, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 4285, to

direct the United States marshal to arrange for [an indigent defendant's] means of noncustodial

transportation or furnish the fare for such transportation to the place where his appearance is required, and in addition may direct the United States marshal to furnish that person with an amount of money for subsistence expenses to his destination, not to exceed the amount authorized as a per diem allowance for travel under section 5702(a) of title 5, United States Code.

5. Counsel has conferred with Assistant United States Attorney James Peterson, who has advised that the government does not oppose this motion.
6. A proposed order is attached.

For all of these reasons, Mr. Alford respectfully requests that the Court order the USMS to make round-trip travel arrangements and provide subsistence funds, both at USMS expense, to ensure Mr. Alford's ability to appear in Court for his trial on September 27, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on August 23, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing via this Court's CM/ECF system, which will send notice of such filing to all counsel of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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