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PROTECTIVE ORDER setting forth procedures for handling confidential material; allowing designated material to be filed under seal as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2). Signed by Magistrate Judge Zia M. Faruqi on 6/3/2021.

06/03/2021

MINUTE ORDER (paperless), as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2), GRANTING the government's 9 Unopposed Motion for an Order to Disclose Items Protected by Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 6(e) and Sealed Materials and AUTHORIZING the government, pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 6(e)(3)(E)(i), to provide to defendant, and any co-defendants who may later be joined, materials protected by Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 6(e), insofar as such disclosure is necessary for the government to comply with its discovery and disclosure obligations. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on June 3, 2021. (lcbah3) (Text entry; no document attached.)

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06/01/2021

ORDER Setting Conditions of Release : Defendant WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) placed on Personal Recognizance Bond signed by Magistrate Judge Robin M. Meriweather, nunc pro tunc to 5/27/2021. (Attachment: # 1 Appearance Bond)

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ORDER Setting Conditions of Release : Defendant WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2) placed on Personal Recognizance Bond signed by Magistrate Judge Robin M. Meriweather, nunc pro tunc to 5/27/2021. (Attachment: # 1 Appearance Bond)

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06/21/2021

NOTICE OF ATTORNEY APPEARANCE: MaryBeth Covert appearing for WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

07/27/2021

Magistrate case closed for defendant WILLIAM JASON SYWAK and WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, pending deadlines, motions, and excludables. Merged Criminal Number 21-494 (RC). (zhsj) (Text entry; no document attached.)

07/27/2021

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07/27/2021

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Rule 5(c)(3) Documents Received as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK from US District Court for the Western District of New York Case Number 21-mj-5108

05/27/2021

ORAL MOTION to Appoint Counsel by WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2). (Text entry; no document attached.)

05/27/2021

ORAL MOTION for Speedy Trial Waiver by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2). (Text entry; no document attached.)

05/27/2021

Minute Entry for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Robin M. Meriweather: VTC Initial Appearance/Detention Hearing as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2) held on 5/27/2021. Oral Motion to Appoint Counsel by WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2) Heard and Granted. Government does not seek the Defendants' pretrial detention. Defendants express intent to waive rights to a Preliminary Hearing. Oral Motion by the Government for Speedy Trial Waiver as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2). Time between 5/27/2021 and 8/4/2021 (69 Days) shall be excluded from calculation under the Speedy Trial Act in the interest of justice X-T. Status Hearing set for 8/4/2021 at 01:00 PM in Telephonic/VTC before Magistrate Judge Robin M. Meriweather. Bond Status of Defendant: Defendants Placed on Personal Recognizance; Court Reporter: FTR Gold FTR Time Frame: CTRM 6 [1:24:00-1:37:00], [1:37:00-1:52:00]; Defense Attorney: Herbert Greenman (1), Marybeth Covert (2); US Attorney: Jacob Steiner for William Dreher; Pretrial Officer: Shay Holman; (Text entry; no document attached.)

END OF MAGISTRATE CASE #21-mj-417 // BEGINNING OF NEW CASE #21-cr-494 BELOW

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INFORMATION as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4. (zhsj)

08/04/2021

MINUTE ORDER: The status hearing currently scheduled for August 4, 2021 before Magistrate Judge Robin M. Meriweather is hereby VACATED, as the Defendant has already had an initial appearance in this jurisdiction, and the Defendant has been charged by Information. As such, this case has been assigned to a District Judge and there are no pending matters necessitating action by a Magistrate Judge. The parties are directed to contact the assigned District Judge to schedule a status hearing and arraignment, if one has not yet been set. The parties shall address any requests to toll the Speedy Trial Act to the assigned District Judge. Signed by Magistrate Judge Robin M. Meriweather on 8/3/2021. (Text entry; no document attached.)

08/07/2021

NOTICE OF HEARING as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK: Arraignment set for 8/17/2021 at 2:00 PM before Judge Rudolph Contreras via ZOOM Video. (Text entry; no document attached.)

08/17/2021

Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Rudolph Contreras:Arraignment as to defendants WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2) held on 8/17/2021. Defendants enter a plea of NOT GUILTY to counts 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Information filed on 7/27/2021. Oral motion to continue this action for a period of 60 days is GRANTED for reasons stated on the record. Next Status Conference set for 10/20/2021 at 9:30 AM before Judge Rudolph Contreras via Zoom Video. Speedy trial is excluded (XT) from 8/17/2021 to 10/20/2021 in the interest of justice. Bond Status of Defendants: Personal Recognizance with consent to appear by video; Court Reporter: Nancy Meyer; Defense Attorney: Mary Covert for W. Jason Sywak; Herb Greeman for W. Michael Sywak; US Attorney: William Dreher; (Text entry; no document attached.)

08/17/2021

MINUTE ORDER as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK (1) and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2): Pursuant to the Due Process Protections Act, the Court orders that all government counsel shall review their disclosure obligations under Brady v. Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), and its progeny, as set forth in Local Criminal Rule 5.1, and comply with those provisions. The failure to comply could result in dismissal of the indictment or information, dismissal of individual charges, exclusion of government evidence or witnesses, continuances, Bar discipline, or any other remedy that is just under the circumstances. (So Ordered Judge Rudolph Contreras on 8/17/2021). (Text entry; no document attached.)

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NOTICE Memorandum re Status of Discovery as of August 23, 2021 by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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NOTICE OF FILING DISCOVERY LETTER by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK

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NOTICE OF FILING DISCOVERY LETTER by USA as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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NOTICE Memorandum re Status of Discovery as of September 14, 2021 by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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NOTICE OF ATTORNEY APPEARANCE Emily W. Allen appearing for USA.

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NOTICE of Filing of Discovery Correspondence by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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Rule 5(c)(3) Documents Received as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK from US District Court for the Western District of New York Case Number 21-mj-5108

10/20/2021

Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Rudolph Contreras: Status Conference as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK held on 10/20/2021. Parties inform the court of the status of this action. Next Status Conference is set for 2/2/2022 at 12:00 PM before Judge Rudolph Contreras. Speedy trial is excluded (XT) from 10/20/2021 to 2/2/2022 in the interest of justice. Bond Status of Defendant: Personal Recognizance with consent to appear by video; Court Reporter: Nancy Meyer; Defense Attorney: Herb Greenment (W. Michael Sywak); Mary Beth Covert (W. Jason Sywak); US Attorney: Emily Allen; (Text entry; no document attached.)

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STATUS REPORT Regarding Discovery by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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STATUS REPORT Status of Discovery as of November 5, 2021 by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

02/02/2022

Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Rudolph Contreras: Arraignment as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK on 2/2/22. Defendant enters a plea of GUILTY Count 4 of the information dated 7/27/21. CASE IS REFERRED TO THE PROBATION OFFICE for Presentence Investigation Report. Sentencing is set for 6/6/2022 at 11:00 AM before Judge Rudolph Contreras. Bond Status of Defendant: Personal Recognizance with consent to appear by video; Court Reporter: Nancy Meyer; Defense Attorney: Marybeth Covert; US Attorney: Emily Allen; (Text entry; no document attached.)

02/02/2022

Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Rudolph Contreras: Arraignment as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK held on 2/2/2022. Defendant enters a plea of GUILTY to Count 4 of the information. CASE REFERRED TO PROBATION OFFICE for Presentence Investigation Report. Sentencing is set for 6/6/2022 at 11:00 AM before Judge Rudolph Contreras. Bond Status of Defendant: Personal Recognizance with consent to appear by video; Court Reporter: Nancy Meyer; Defense Attorney: Herb Greeman; US Attorney: Emily Allen; (Text entry; no document attached.)

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PLEA AGREEMENT as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK.

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STATEMENT OF OFFENSE by WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK.

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PLEA AGREEMENT as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK.

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STATEMENT OF OFFENSE by WILLIAM JASON SYWAK.

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SENTENCING SCHEDULING ORDER as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK. See document for details. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 2/4/2022. (lcrc3)

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STATUS REPORT Regarding Discovery by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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05/12/2022

MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice Herbert L. Greenman Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ADCDC-9232754. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK.

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05/17/2022

MINUTE ORDER granting [40] Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice: Pursuant to Local Criminal Rule 44.1(d), it is hereby ORDERED that Herbert L. Greenman is admitted to represent Defendant pro hac vice in this case. SO ORDERED. Counsel should register for e-filing via PACER and file a notice of appearance pursuant to LCRR 44.5(a). Click for instructions Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 5-17-2022. (lcrc3) (Text entry; no document attached.)

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NOTICE OF ATTORNEY APPEARANCE: Herbert L. Greenman appearing for WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK

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SENTENCING MEMORANDUM by WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK

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STATEMENT OF OFFENSE by WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK

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SENTENCING MEMORANDUM by USA as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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SENTENCING MEMORANDUM by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK

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SENTENCING MEMORANDUM by WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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05/31/2022

MINUTE ORDER as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK and WILLIAM JASON SYWAK: Sentencing currently scheduled for 6/6/2022 @ 11am, is hereby RESCHEDULED for 6/9/2022 at 12:00 PM before Judge Rudolph Contreras via zoom video. Parties appearing in this matter will receive a zoom link prior to the scheduled hearing. (Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 5/31/2022). (Text entry; no document attached.)

06/03/2022

NOTICE OF ERROR as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK regarding [53] Response to document. The following error(s) need correction: Incorrect format (Letter)- correspondence is not permitted (LCrR 49(f)(4)). Please refile. (zhsj) (Text entry; no document attached.)

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RESPONSE by WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK Short response to Government's Sentencing Memorandum dated May 27, 2022

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SENTENCING MEMORANDUM by WILLIAM JASON SYWAK

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REPLY by WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK to Government's Response to Defendant's Sentencing Memorandum

06/09/2022

Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Rudolph Contreras: Sentencing held on 6/9/2022 as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK. Count 4: Defendant is sentenced to (24) Months of Probation with conditions. Special Assessment: \$10.00; Restitution: \$500.00; Open counts 1, 2 and 3 are dismissed on the Government's Motion. Bond Status of Defendant: Defendant placed on Probation; Court Reporter: Nancy Meyer; Defense Attorney: Herbert Greeman; US Attorney: Emily Allen; Prob Officer: Crystal Lustig; (Text entry; no document attached.)

06/09/2022

Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Rudolph Contreras: Sentencing held on 6/9/2022 as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK (2). Count 4: Defendant is sentenced to Twelve (12) Months of Probation with conditions. Special Assessment: \$10.00; Restitution: \$500.00; Open Counts 1, 2 and 3 are dismissed on the Government's Motion; Bond Status of Defendant: Defendant placed on Probation; Court Reporter: Nancy Meyer; Defense Attorney: Mary Beth Covert; US Attorney: Emily Allen; Prob Officer: Crystal Lustig; (Text entry; no document attached.)

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Application for Access To Video Exhibits by PRESS COALITION as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK. (zstd)

06/17/2022

MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the Government shall respond to the Press Coalition's [58] Application for Access to Video Exhibits on or before June 22, 2022. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 06/17/2022. (lcrc2) (Text entry; no document attached.)

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06/21/2022

RESPONSE by USA as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK re 58 MOTION to Access in Non-Opposition

06/21/2022

MINUTE ORDER granting 58 Press Coalition's Application for Access to Video Exhibits as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK, WILLIAM JASON SYWAK. The government shall make the video exhibits available using the "drop box" solution set forth in Standing Order 21-28. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 6-21-2022. (lcrc3) (Text entry; no document attached.)

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JUDGMENT as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK. Statement of Reasons Not Included. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 6/21/2022. (zhsj)

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STATEMENT OF REASONS as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK re 60 Judgment Access to the PDF Document is restricted per Judicial Conference Policy. Access is limited to Counsel of Record and the Court. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 6/21/2022. (zhsj)

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JUDGMENT as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK. Statement of Reasons Not Included. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 6/21/2022. (zhsj)

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STATEMENT OF REASONS as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK re 62 Judgment Access to the PDF Document is restricted per Judicial Conference Policy. Access is limited to Counsel of Record and the Court. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 6/21/2022. (zhsj)

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09/07/2022

Probation Jurisdiction Transferred to U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK Transmitted Transfer of Jurisdiction form, with certified copies of indictment, judgment and docket sheet. Ordered by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 6/9/2022.

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09/07/2022

Notice to U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York of a Transfer of Jurisdiction as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK. Your case number is: 1:22-cr-127-1. The clerk will transmit any restricted document via email. Using your PACER account, you may retrieve the docket sheet and any text-only entry via the case number link. The following document link(s) is also provided: [66] Transfer Out/Probationer, [15] Information, [60] Judgment. (If you require certified copies of any documents, please send a request to DCD_CMECF_CR@DCD.USCOURTS.GOV. If you wish to designate a different email address for future transfers, send your request to InterDistrictTransfer_TXND@txnd.uscourts.gov.) (zltf) (Text entry; no document attached.)

09/07/2022

Notice to U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York of a Transfer of Jurisdiction as to WILLIAM MICHAEL SYWAK. Your case number is: 1:22-cr-127-1. The clerk will transmit any restricted document via email. Using your PACER account, you may retrieve the docket sheet and any text-only entry via the case number link. The following document link(s) is also provided: 66 Transfer Out/Probationer, 15 Information, 60 Judgment. (If you require certified copies of any documents, please send a request to DCD_CMECF_CR@DCD.USCOURTS.GOV. If you wish to designate a different email address for future transfers, send your request to InterDistrictTransfer_TXND@txnd.uscourts.gov.) (zltf) (Text entry; no document attached.)

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09/07/2022

Probation Jurisdiction Transferred to U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK Transmitted Transfer of Jurisdiction form, with certified copies of indictment, judgment and docket sheet. Ordered by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 6/9/2022.

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09/07/2022

Notice to U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York of a Transfer of Jurisdiction as to WILLIAM JASON SYWAK. Your case number is: 1:22-cr-128-1. The clerk will transmit any restricted document via email. Using your PACER account, you may retrieve the docket sheet and any text-only entry via the case number link. The following document link(s) is also provided: [15] Information, [62] Judgment, [67] Transfer Out/Probationer. (If you require certified copies of any documents, please send a request to DCD_CMECF_CR@DCD.USCOURTS.GOV. If you wish to designate a different email address for future transfers, send your request to InterDistrictTransfer_TXND@txnd.uscourts.gov.) (zltf) (Text entry; no document attached.)

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