

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

Case: 1:21-mj-00262
Assigned to: Judge Faruqui, Zia M
Assign Date: 2/24/2021
Description: COMPLAINT W/ARREST WARRANT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

**RICHARD FRANKLIN BARNARD,
and
JEFFERY SHANE WITCHER**

Defendants

- : **VIOLATIONS:**
- : **18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1),**
- : **(Restricted Building or Grounds)**
- : **18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(2),**
- : **(Restricted Building or Grounds)**
- : **40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(D)**
- : **(Violent Entry or Disorderly Conduct)**
- : **40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(G)**
- : **(Parading, Picketing or Demonstrating**
- : **Inside Capitol)**
- : **18 U.S.C. § 1512(c)(2), §2**
- : **(Obstruction of Justice)**

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: February 24, 2021

ZIA M. FARUQUI
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE