

U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CRIMINAL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cr-00028-APM-15

Case title: USA v. CALDWELL et al

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Pending Counts

18 U.S.C. 371; CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES;
Conspiracy
(1)

18 U.S.C. 371; CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES;
Conspiracy
(1s)

18 U.S.C. 1512(c)(2), 2; TAMPERING WITH A WITNESS, VICTIM OR
INFORMANT; Obstruction of an Official Proceeding and Aiding and Abetting
(2)

18 U.S.C. 1512(c)(2), 2; TAMPERING WITH A WITNESS, VICTIM OR
INFORMANT; Obstruction of an Official Proceeding and Aiding and Abetting
(2s)

18 U.S.C. 1361 and 2; GOVERNMENT PROPERTY OR CONTRACTS >;
Destruction of Government Property and Aiding and Abetting
(3)

18 U.S.C. 1361, 2; GOVERNMENT PROPERTY OR CONTRACTS >;
Destruction of Government Property and Aiding and Abetting
(3s)

18 U.S.C. 1752(a)(1); TEMPORARY RESIDENCE OF THE PRESIDENT;
Restricted Building or Grounds
(4)

18 U.S.C. 1752(a)(1); TEMPORARY RESIDENCE OF THE PRESIDENT;
Restricted Building or Grounds
(4s)

18 U.S.C. 231(a)(3), 2; CIVIL DISORDER; Civil Disorder and Aiding and
Abetting
(5s)

Highest Offense Level (Opening)

Felony

Terminated Counts

None

Highest Offense Level (Terminated)

None

Complaints

None

Disposition

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/26/2021	196	FOURTH SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 4ssss, 9ssss, DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 6ssss, JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 6ssss, SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 6ssss, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 4ssss, GRAYDON YOUNG (6) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 6ssss, 10ssss, LAURA STEELE (7) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, KELLY MEGGS (8) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 11ssss, CONNIE MEGGS (9) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, KENNETH HARRELSON (10) count(s) 1ss, 2ss, 3ss, 4ss, 12ss, ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11) count(s) 1s, 2s, 4s, JOSHUA A. JAMES (12) count(s) 1s, 2s, 4s, 7s, 8s, 13s, JONATHAN WALDEN (13) count(s) 1, 2, 4, JOSEPH HACKETT (14) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, JASON DOLAN (15) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, WILLIAM ISAACS (16) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5-6. (zltpl) Modified on 5/27/2021 (zjd). (Entered: 05/27/2021)
05/28/2021	205	Arrest Warrant Returned Executed on 5/27/2021 as to JASON DOLAN in Wellington, Florida.(zltpl) (Entered: 05/28/2021)
05/28/2021		Case unsealed as to JASON DOLAN (zltpl) (Entered: 06/07/2021)
05/30/2021	209	ENTERED IN ERROR....REDACTED FOURTH SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT as to ALL DEFENDANTS. (zjd) Modified on 5/30/2021 (zjd). (Entered: 05/30/2021)
06/03/2021	217	NOTICE of Intent to File Motion for Review of Release Order for Defendant Jason Dolan by USA as to JASON DOLAN (Nestler, Jeffrey) Modified filing date to initially filed entry on 6/8/2021 (zltpl). (Entered: 06/08/2021)
06/04/2021		MINUTE ORDER as to JASON DOLAN (15). The United States shall file its motion for review of release order with respect to Defendant JASON DOLAN (15) by no later than June 8, 2021. Defendant shall file an opposition by June 10, 2021. The court will remotely hold a detention hearing on June 11, 2021, at a time to be determined based on the detaining facility's availability. The United States shall seek expedited production of the detention hearing transcript. Additionally, because Defendant JASON DOLAN (15)'s counsel has not yet entered his appearance, counsel for the United States shall serve notice of this minute order on defense counsel. Finally, the U.S. Marshals Service is directed not to transport Defendant JASON DOLAN (15) to the District of Columbia until the court resolves the government's request for detention. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 6/4/2021. (zjd) (Entered: 06/04/2021)
06/07/2021	223	NOTICE OF ATTORNEY APPEARANCE: Elizabeth Lauren Van Pelt appearing for JASON DOLAN (Van Pelt, Elizabeth) (Entered: 06/07/2021)
06/07/2021	224	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice Michael T. van der Veen Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ADCDC-8508951. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by JASON DOLAN. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration, # 2 Text of Proposed Order)(Van Pelt, Elizabeth) (Entered: 06/07/2021)
06/08/2021		MINUTE ORDER granting 224 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Attorney Michael T. van der Veen is hereby admitted pro hac vice to appear in this matter. 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 Amit P. Mehta on 6/8/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 06/08/2021)
06/08/2021	227	MOTION to Revoke Order of Release by USA as to JASON DOLAN. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Southern District of Florida Release Order, # 2 Exhibit 6/2/21 Transcript, # 3 Exhibit 6/3/21 Transcript, # 4 Exhibit Gateway Pundit Transcript)(Nestler, Jeffrey) (Entered: 06/08/2021)
06/09/2021	230	NOTICE OF ATTORNEY APPEARANCE: Michael T. Van Der Veen appearing for JASON DOLAN (Van Der Veen, Michael) (Entered: 06/09/2021)
06/10/2021		NOTICE OF HEARING as to JASON DOLAN (15): Bond Hearing set for 6/11/2021 at 2:00 PM via videoconference before Judge Amit P. Mehta. The courtroom deputy has circulated connection information to counsel. Members of the public or media may access the hearing via teleconference by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. (zjd) (Entered: 06/10/2021)
06/10/2021	232	Memorandum in Opposition by JASON DOLAN re 227 MOTION to Revoke Order of Release (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit)(Van Der Veen, Michael) (Entered: 06/10/2021)
06/10/2021	233	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice William J. Brennan Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ADCDC-8518775. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by JASON DOLAN. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration, # 2 Text of Proposed Order)(Van Pelt, Elizabeth) (Entered: 06/10/2021)
06/10/2021		MINUTE ORDER granting 233 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Attorney William J. Brennan is hereby admitted pro hac vice to appear in this matter. 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 Amit P. Mehta on 6/10/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 06/10/2021)
06/11/2021	235	MOTION for Leave to File Document Under Seal by JASON DOLAN. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order Proposed Order to Seal Exhibit)(Van Der Veen, Michael) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/11/2021	236	NOTICE of Exhibit by USA as to JASON DOLAN re 227 MOTION to Revoke Order of Release (Nestler, Jeffrey) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/11/2021		MINUTE ORDER as to JASON DOLAN (15) granting 235 Motion to Seal Exhibit. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 6/11/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/11/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Amit P. Mehta: Arraignment and Detention Hearing as to JASON DOLAN (15) held via videoconference on 6/11/2021. Plea of NOT GUILTY entered on Counts 1-4. For the reasons stated on the record, 227 Government's Motion for Revocation of Order of Release is DENIED. In the interests of justice, and for the reasons stated on the record, the time from 6/11/2021 through and including 7/2/2021 shall be excluded in computing the date for speedy trial in this case. Status Conference set for 7/2/2021 at 11:00 AM via videoconference before Judge Amit P. Mehta. The courtroom deputy will circulate connection information to counsel. Members of the public or media may access the hearing via teleconference by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. Bond Status of Defendant: released; release order issued; Court Reporter: William Zaremba; Defense Attorneys: Michael Van Der Veen, Libbey Van Pelt, and Rick Hutchinson; US Attorney: Jeffrey Nestler. (zjd) (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/11/2021	237	ORDER as to JASON DOLAN (15) Setting Conditions of Release with Global Positioning System Monitoring. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 6/11/2021. (zjd) Modified to include defendant's name on 6/11/2021 (zjd). (Entered: 06/11/2021)
06/29/2021	257	First MOTION for Extension of Time to File Pretrial Motions by JASON DOLAN. (Van Der Veen, Michael) (Entered: 06/29/2021)
07/02/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Amit P. Mehta: Status Conference as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JASON DOLAN (15), WILLIAM ISAACS (16) held via videoconference on 7/2/2021. In the interests of justice, and for the reasons stated on the record, the time from 7/3/2021 through and including 9/8/2021 shall be excluded in computing the date for speedy trial as to defendants Caldwell (1), Crowl (2), Watkins (3), S. Parker (4), B. Parker (5), Steele (7), K. Meggs (8), C. Meggs (9), Harrelson (10), Minuta (11), James (12), Dolan (15), and Isaacs (16). Status Conference set for 8/10/2021 at 10:00 AM via videoconference before Judge Amit P. Mehta. Motion Hearing set for 9/8/2021 at 2:00 PM in Courtroom 10 - In Person before Judge Amit P. Mehta. Jury Trials set for 1/31/2021 at 10:00 AM and 4/4/2021 at 10:00 AM before Judge Amit P. Mehta. Members of the public or media may access hearings via teleconference by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. Bond Status of Defendants: Caldwell (1) remains on PR/HISP, Crowl (2) remains on PR/HISP, Watkins (3) remains in-custody, S. Parker (4) remains on personal recognizance, B. Parker (5) remains on personal recognizance, Steele (7) remains on PR/HISP, K. Meggs (8) remains in-custody, C. Meggs (9) remains on PR/HISP, Harrelson (10) remains in-custody, Minuta (11) remains on personal recognizance, James (12) remains on PR/HISP, Walden (13) remains on personal recognizance, Dolan (15) remains on PR/HISP, Isaacs (16) remains on PR/HISP. Court Reporter: William Zaremba; Defense Attorneys: David Fischer (1), Carmen Hernandez (2), Michelle Peterson (3), John Machado (4), Stephen Brennwald (5), Peter Cooper (7), David Wilson (8), Mary Anderson (9), Nina Ginsburg, Jeffrey Zimmerman, and John Pierce (10), Jenifer Wicks (11), Joan Robin and Christopher Leibig (12), Thomas Spina (13), Libbey Van Pelt and Michael Van Der Veen (15), Gene Rossi and Natalie Napierala (16) US Attorney: Kathryn Rakoczy. (zjd) Modified to clarify speedy trial excludable on 7/2/2021 (zjd). (Entered: 07/02/2021)
07/06/2021	289	ORDER as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JOSEPH HACKETT (14), JASON DOLAN (15), and WILLIAM ISAACS (16). The parties shall appear for a hearing on the Rule 12 motions at ECF Nos. 240, 269, 270, 273, and 278 on September 8, 2021, at 2 p.m. Defense counsel who drafted those motions must appear in person in Courtroom 10 unless they request leave of court to appear remotely. Any counsel or Defendants who wish to appear remotely may do so without leave of court but must notify the courtroom deputy of their intention to appear remotely by September 3, 2021. The courtroom deputy will coordinate videoconferencing access for the parties. Members of the public may access the hearing by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. The public access line will be muted. The court grants the motion for an extension of time to file Rule 12 motions as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), and JOSHUA A. JAMES (12). All additional Rule 12 motions shall be filed on or before September 2, 2021; the government shall respond to such Rule 12 motions on or before September 30, 2021; any replies to such Rule 12 motions shall be filed on or before October 14, 2021. The first trial in this matter shall begin on January 31, 2022. All detained Defendants will be tried in the first trial. The second trial shall begin on April 19, 2022. All counsel should note that the court has changed the start of the second trial from April 4, 2022, to April 19, 2022, due to the court's schedule. All counsel, except for counsel for detained Defendants, shall reserve April 19, 2022, to May 17, 2022, for trial. See the attached Order for additional details. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 7/6/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 07/06/2021)
07/29/2021	312	Memorandum in Opposition by USA as to JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, LAURA STEELE, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS re 273 MOTION to Change Venue (Nestler, Jeffrey) Modified on 8/19/2021 (zltpl). (Entered: 07/29/2021)
07/29/2021	313	Memorandum in Opposition by USA as to JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, LAURA STEELE, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS re 270 MOTION for Bill of Particulars , 278 MOTION to Dismiss Count Counts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 12 of the Fourth Superseding Indictment, 288 MOTION to Dismiss Count I and II for Failure to State an Offense and for Vagueness, 240 MOTION to Dismiss Case , 269 MOTION to Dismiss Count 8 and 13 (Nestler, Jeffrey) Modified on 8/19/2021 (zltpl). (Entered: 07/29/2021)

07/29/2021	314	NOTICE of Joining Motions by JASON DOLAN (Van Der Veen, Michael) (Entered: 07/29/2021)
08/04/2021	328	FIFTH SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1) count(s) 1sssss, 2sssss, 4sssss, 10sssss, DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2) count(s) 1sssss, 2sssss, 3sssss, 4sssss, 7sssss, JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3) count(s) 1sssss, 2sssss, 3sssss, 4sssss, 7sssss, SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 7ssss, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 4ssss, LAURA STEELE (7) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 7ssss, 14ssss, KELLY MEGGS (8) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, 11ssss, KENNETH MEGGS (9) count(s) 1ssss, 2ssss, 3ssss, 4ssss, KENNETH HARRELSON (10) count(s) 1sss, 2sss, 3sss, 4sss, 12sss, ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11) count(s) 1ss, 2ss, 4ss, JOSHUA A. JAMES (12) count(s) 1ss, 2ss, 4ss, 8ss, 9ss, 13ss, JONATHAN WALDEN (13) count(s) 1s, 2s, 4s, JOSEPH HACKETT (14) count(s) 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, JASON DOLAN (15) count(s) 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, WILLIAM ISAACS (16) count(s) 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, 6s-7s, DAVID MOERSCHEL (17) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, BRIAN ULRICH (18) count(s) 1, 2, 4. (zltip) (Entered: 08/10/2021)
08/04/2021	330	MOTION to Seal Case by USA as to JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, LAURA STEELE, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS, DAVID MOERSCHEL, BRIAN ULRICH. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(zltip) Modified on 8/19/2021 (zltip). (Entered: 08/10/2021)
08/04/2021	331	ORDER granting 330 Motion to Seal Case as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JOSEPH HACKETT (14), JASON DOLAN (15), WILLIAM ISAACS (16), DAVID MOERSCHEL (17), BRIAN ULRICH (18). Signed by Magistrate Judge Robin M. Meriwether on 8/4/2021. (zltip) Modified on 8/19/2021 (zltip). (Entered: 08/10/2021)
08/09/2021		Case unsealed as to JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, GRAYDON YOUNG, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, LAURA STEELE, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS, DAVID MOERSCHEL, BRIAN ULRICH (zltip) (Entered: 08/10/2021)
08/10/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Amit P. Mehta: Status Conference as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JASON DOLAN (15), WILLIAM ISAACS (16), and DAVID MOERSCHEL (17) held via videoconference on 8/10/2021. Plea of Not Guilty entered by LAURA STEELE (7) as to Counts 7 and 14. Plea of Not Guilty entered by JASON DOLAN (16) as to Count 5. Plea of Not Guilty entered by DAVID MOERSCHEL (17) as to Counts 1-4. In the interests of justice, and for the reasons stated on the record, the time from 8/11/2021 through and including 9/8/2021 shall be excluded in computing the time for speedy trial as to the new counts for LAURA STEELE (7), JASON DOLAN (16), and DAVID MOERSCHEL (17). Bond Status of Defendants: Caldwell (1) remains on PR/HISP, Crowl (2) remains on PR/HISP, Watkins (3) remains in-custody, S. Parker (4) remains on personal recognizance, B. Parker (5) remains on personal recognizance, Steele (7) remains on PR/HISP, K. Meggs (8) remains in-custody, C. Meggs (9) remains on PR/HISP, Harrelson (10) remains in-custody, Minuta (11) remains on personal recognizance, James (12) remains on PR/HISP, Walden (13) appearance waived; remains on personal recognizance, Dolan (15) remains on PR/HISP, Issacs (16) remains on PR/HISP, Moerschel (17) remains on PR. Court Reporter: William Zaremba; Defense Attorneys: David Fischer (1), Carmen Hernandez (2), Michelle Peterson (3), John Machado (4 and 5), Peter Cooper (7), David Wilson (8), Stanley Woodward (9), John Pierce (10), Jenifer Wicks (11), Joan Robin and Christopher Leibig (12), Thomas Spina and Ed MacMahon (13), Michael Van Der Veen (15), Gene Rossi and Natalie Napierala (16), Scott Weinberg (17). US Attorney: Kathryn Rakoczy. (zjd) (Entered: 08/10/2021)
08/12/2021		MINUTE ORDER granting 340 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Attorney Attilio J. Balbo is hereby admitted pro hac vice to appear in this matter. Counsel should register for e-filing via PACER and file a notice of appearance pursuant to LCvR 44.5(a). Click for Instructions. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 8/12/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 08/12/2021)
08/18/2021	349	NOTICE REGARDING THE STATUS OF DISCOVERY by USA as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, LAURA STEELE, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS, DAVID MOERSCHEL, BRIAN ULRICH (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Filing in U.S. v. Gieswein) (Rakoczy, Kathryn) Modified on 8/19/2021 (zltip). (Entered: 08/18/2021)
08/30/2021	372	TRANSCRIPT OF ARRAIGNMENT AND DETENTION HEARING VIA ZOOM PROCEEDINGS in case as to JASON DOLAN before Judge Amit P. Mehta held on June 11, 2021; Page Numbers: 1-82. Date of Issuance: August 30, 2021. Court Reporter/Transcriber: William Zaremba; Telephone number: (202) 354-3249. Transcripts may be ordered by submitting the Transcript Order Form For the first 90 days after this filing date, the transcript may be viewed at the courthouse at a public terminal or purchased from the court reporter referenced above. After 90 days, the transcript may be accessed via PACER. Other transcript formats, (multi-page, condensed, PDF or ASCII) may be purchased from the court reporter. NOTICE RE REDACTION OF TRANSCRIPTS: The parties have twenty-one days to file with the court and the court reporter any request to redact personal identifiers from this transcript. If no such requests are filed, the transcript will be made available to the public via PACER without redaction after 90 days. The policy, which includes the five personal identifiers specifically covered, is located on our website at www.dcd.uscourts.gov . Redaction Request due 9/20/2021. Redacted Transcript Deadline set for 9/30/2021. Release of Transcript Restriction set for 11/28/2021.(wz) (Entered: 08/30/2021)
09/08/2021		NOTICE OF HEARING as to All Defendants. Motion Hearing set for 9/8/2021 at 2:00 PM in Courtroom 10 before Judge Amit P. Mehta. The courtroom deputy has circulated connection information to the parties that will be appearing remotely. Members of the public or media may access the hearing via teleconference by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. Members of the press may view live video of the proceedings in overflow courtroom 14. (zjd) Modified on 9/8/2021 (zjd). (Entered: 09/08/2021)
09/08/2021		NOTICE OF HEARING as to All Defendants. Courtroom 14 will no longer serve as the overflow courtroom for the Motion Hearing set for 9/8/2021 at 2:00 PM. A notice will be filed indicating the new overflow courtroom. (zjd) (Entered: 09/08/2021)
09/08/2021		NOTICE OF HEARING as to All Defendants. Members of the press may view live video of the Motion Hearing set for 9/8/2021 at 2:00 PM in overflow courtroom 11. (zjd) (Entered: 09/08/2021)
09/08/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Amit P. Mehta: Motion Hearing as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JOSEPH HACKETT (14), JASON DOLAN (15), WILLIAM ISAACS (16), DAVID MOERSCHEL (17), BRIAN ULRICH (18) held on 9/8/2021. Government Briefs due by 9/22/2021. Defendant's Briefs due by 10/6/2021. Status Conference set for 9/16/2021 at 11:00 AM before Judge Amit P. Mehta. The courtroom deputy will circulate connection information to counsel. Members of the public or media may access the hearing via teleconference by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. Bond Status of Defendants: Caldwell (1) remains on PR/HISP, Crowl (2) remains on PR/HISP, Watkins (3) remains in-custody, S. Parker (4) remains on personal recognizance, B. Parker (5) remains on personal recognizance, Steele (7) remains on PR/HISP, K. Meggs (8) remains in-custody, C. Meggs (9) remains on PR/HISP, Harrelson (10) remains in-custody, Minuta (11) remains on personal recognizance, James (12) remains on PR/HISP, Walden (13) remains on personal recognizance, Hackett (14) remains on PR/HISP, Dolan (15) remains on PR/HISP, Issacs (16) remains on PR/HISP, Moerschel (17) appearance waived; remains on personal recognizance, Ulrich (18) remains on personal recognizance. Court Reporter: William Zaremba; Defense Attorneys: David Fischer (1), Carmen Hernandez (2), Michelle Peterson (3), John Machado (4), Stephen Brennwald (5), Peter Cooper (7), David Wilson (8), Juli Haller and Stanley Woodward (9), Bradford Geyer and John Moseley (10), Jenifer Wicks (11), Joan Robin and Christopher Leibig (12), Thomas Spina and Ed MacMahon (13), Angie Halim (14), Michael Van Der Veen & Libbey Van Pelt (15), Gene Rossi (16), Scott Weinberg (17), Attilio Joseph Balbo (18); US Attorneys: Jeffrey Nestler and Kathryn Rakoczy. (zjd) (Entered: 09/09/2021)
09/13/2021	414	TRANSCRIPT OF MOTION HEARING PROCEEDINGS in case as to JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, LAURA STEELE, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS, DAVID MOERSCHEL, BRIAN ULRICH before Judge Amit P. Mehta held on September 8, 2021; Page Numbers: 1-128. Date of Issuance: September 13, 2021. Court Reporter/Transcriber: William Zaremba; Telephone number: (202) 354-3249. Transcripts may be ordered by submitting the Transcript Order Form For the first 90 days after this filing date, the transcript may be viewed at the courthouse at a public terminal or purchased from the court reporter referenced above. After 90 days, the transcript may be accessed via PACER. Other transcript formats, (multi-page, condensed, PDF or ASCII) may be purchased from the court reporter. NOTICE RE REDACTION OF TRANSCRIPTS: The parties have twenty-one days to file with the court and the court reporter any request to redact personal identifiers from this transcript. If no such requests are filed, the transcript will be made available to the public via PACER without redaction after 90 days. The policy, which includes the five personal identifiers specifically covered, is located on our website at www.dcd.uscourts.gov . Redaction Request due 10/4/2021. Redacted Transcript Deadline set for 10/14/2021. Release of Transcript Restriction set for 12/12/2021.(wz) (Entered: 09/13/2021)
09/14/2021	415	ORDER as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JOSEPH HACKETT (14), JASON DOLAN (15), WILLIAM ISAACS (16), DAVID MOERSCHEL (17), and BRIAN ULRICH (18) denying in part Defendant THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1)'s 240 Motion for Dismissal of Indictment; denying Defendant THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1)'s 273 Motion to Transfer Venue; denying Defendant JOSHUA A. JAMES (12)'s 269 Motion to Dismiss Count 8 and Portions of Count 13 of the Indictment; granting in part and denying in part Defendant JOSHUA A. JAMES (12)'s 270 Motion for Bill of Particulars; and denying in part Defendant KENNETH HARRELSON (10)'s 278 Motion to Dismiss Counts 1, 2, 3, 4, & 12 of the Fourth Superseding Indictment. See the attached Order for additional details. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 9/14/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 09/14/2021)
09/15/2021		NOTICE OF HEARING as to JASON DOLAN (15): Plea Agreement Hearing set for 9/15/2021 at 4:00 PM in Courtroom 10 before Judge Amit P. Mehta. Members of the public may

		access the hearing by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. Members of the press may view live video of the proceedings in the media room. (zjd) (Entered: 09/15/2021)
09/15/2021	417	NOTICE OF STATUS OF DISCOVERY by USA as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, LAURA STEELE, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS, DAVID MOERSCHEL, BRIAN ULRICH (Rakoczy, Kathryn) Modified text on 9/15/2021 (zltpt). (Entered: 09/15/2021)
09/15/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Amit P. Mehta: Plea Agreement Hearing as to JASON DOLAN (15) held on 9/15/2021. Plea of guilty entered by JASON DOLAN (15) as to Counts 1 and 2 of the 328 Fifth Superseding Indictment. Joint Status Report due by 12/17/2021. Bond Status of Defendant: remains on PR/HISP; Court Reporter: William Zaremba; Defense Attorneys: Elizabeth Van Pelt and Julieanne Bateman; US Attorney: Jeffrey Nestler. (zjd) (Entered: 09/16/2021)
09/15/2021	427	PLEA AGREEMENT as to JASON DOLAN (15). (zjd) (Entered: 09/16/2021)
09/15/2021	428	STATEMENT OF OFFENSE by USA as to JASON DOLAN (15). (zjd) (Entered: 09/16/2021)
09/15/2021	429	WAIVER of Trial by Jury as to JASON DOLAN (15). Approved by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 9/15/2021. (zjd) (Entered: 09/16/2021)
09/28/2021	440	TRANSCRIPT OF STATUS HEARING VIA ZOOM PROCEEDINGS in case as to JESSICA MARIE WATKINS, DONOVAN RAY CROWL, THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL, SANDRA RUTH PARKER, BENNIE ALVIN PARKER, KELLY MEGGS, CONNIE MEGGS, LAURA STEELE, KENNETH HARRELSON, ROBERTO A. MINUTA, JOSHUA A. JAMES, JONATHAN WALDEN, JOSEPH HACKETT, JASON DOLAN, WILLIAM ISAACS, DAVID MOERSCHEL, BRIAN ULRICH before Judge Amit P. Mehta held on September 16, 2021; Page Numbers: 1-81. Date of Issuance: September 28, 2021. Court Reporter/Transcriber: William Zaremba; Telephone number: (202) 354-3249. Transcripts may be ordered by submitting the Transcript Order Form For the first 90 days after this filing date, the transcript may be viewed at the courthouse at a public terminal or purchased from the court reporter referenced above. After 90 days, the transcript may be accessed via PACER. Other transcript formats, (multi-page, condensed, PDF or ASCII) may be purchased from the court reporter. NOTICE RE REDACTION OF TRANSCRIPTS: The parties have twenty-one days to file with the court and the court reporter any request to redact personal identifiers from this transcript. If no such requests are filed, the transcript will be made available to the public via PACER without redaction after 90 days. The policy, which includes the five personal identifiers specifically covered, is located on our website at www.dcd.uscourts.gov . Redaction Request due 10/19/2021. Redacted Transcript Deadline set for 10/29/2021. Release of Transcript Restriction set for 12/27/2021.(wz) (Entered: 09/28/2021)
10/04/2021		MINUTE ORDER as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JOSEPH HACKETT (14), WILLIAM ISAACS (16), DAVID MOERSCHEL (17), and BRIAN ULRICH (18) granting Defendant THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1)'s 446 Unopposed Motion to Extend Time to File Reply to Government's Supplemental Brief on 18 U.S.C. § 1512(c)(2). Defendants who wish to file a reply to the Government's Supplemental Brief on 18 U.S.C. § 1512(c)(2), ECF No. 437, shall do so on or before October 12, 2021. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/4/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 10/04/2021)
10/14/2021		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Amit P. Mehta: Status Conference as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JOSEPH HACKETT (14), WILLIAM ISAACS (16), DAVID MOERSCHEL (17), BRIAN ULRICH (18) held via videoconference on 10/14/2021. Oral Order of the Court denying Defendant Harrelson's (10) sealed motion at ECF No. 438. It is further ordered that Defendant James' (12) conditions of release are modified to include the following condition: The defendant shall participate in a program of inpatient or outpatient mental health treatment and counseling. The defendant must follow the rules and regulations of that program. Additionally, it is ordered that the jury trial scheduled for 1/31/2022 is vacated. The first jury trial is scheduled for 4/19/2022. In the interests of justice, and for the reasons stated on the record, the time from 10/15/2021 through and including 12/6/2021 shall be excluded in computing the date for speedy trial in this case. Status Conference set for 12/6/2021 at 11:00 AM via videoconference before Judge Amit P. Mehta. The courtroom deputy will provide counsel with connection information. Members of the public may access the hearing by dialing the court's toll-free public access line: (877) 848-7030, access code 321-8747. Joint Status Report due 10/22/2021. Bond Status of Defendants: Caldwell (1) remains on PR/HISP, Crowl (2) remains on PR/HISP, Watkins (3) remains in-custody, S. Parker (4) remains on personal recognizance, B. Parker (5) remains on personal recognizance, Steele (7) remains on PR/HISP, K. Meggs (8) remains in-custody, C. Meggs (9) remains on PR/HISP, Harrelson (10) remains in-custody, Minuta (11) remains on personal recognizance, James (12) remains on PR/HISP, Walden (13) remains on personal recognizance, Hackett (14) remains on PR/HISP, Dolan (15) remains on PR/HISP, Issacs (16) remains on PR/HISP, Moerschel (17) appearance waived; remains on personal recognizance, Ulrich (18) remains on personal recognizance. Court Reporter: William Zaremba; Defense Attorneys: David Fischer (1), Carmen Hernandez (2), Michelle Peterson (3), John Machado (4), Stephen Brennwald (5), Peter Cooper (7), David Wilson (8), Julia Haller and Stanley Woodward (9), Bradford Geyer and John Moseley (10), Jenifer Wicks (11), Joni Robin (12), Thomas Spina and Ed MacMahon (13), Angie Halim (14), Gene Rossi and Natalie Napierala (16), Scott Weinberg (17), Attilio Joseph Balbo (18); US Attorneys: Kathryn Rakoczy. (zjd) (Entered: 10/14/2021)
10/20/2021	468	ORDER granting 464 Motion for Disclosure as to THOMAS EDWARD CALDWELL (1), DONOVAN RAY CROWL (2), JESSICA MARIE WATKINS (3), SANDRA RUTH PARKER (4), BENNIE ALVIN PARKER (5), LAURA STEELE (7), KELLY MEGGS (8), CONNIE MEGGS (9), KENNETH HARRELSON (10), ROBERTO A. MINUTA (11), JOSHUA A. JAMES (12), JONATHAN WALDEN (13), JOSEPH HACKETT (14), WILLIAM ISAACS (16), DAVID MOERSCHEL (17), BRIAN ULRICH (18). Please see the attached Order for additional details. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/20/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 10/20/2021)
10/25/2021		MINUTE ORDER. The parties shall file a supplemental Joint Status Report concerning the discovery issues identified by the court by November 5, 2021. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/25/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 10/25/2021)
11/01/2021		MINUTE ORDER rescinding MINUTE ORDER granting 472 Motion to Withdraw as Attorney. When the court granted the motion to withdraw, allowing Mr. Wilson to withdraw as counsel for KELLY MEGGS (8), it did not appreciate that Mr. Meggs's new counsel, Mr. Moseley, also has entered an appearance on behalf of Defendant KENNETH HARRELSON (10). The court will hold a hearing on the motion to withdraw before allowing Mr. Moseley to represent Mr. Meggs. The courtroom deputy will contact the relevant parties and counsel to set a hearing. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 11/01/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 11/01/2021)
11/01/2021		MINUTE ORDER denying Defendant KENNETH HARRELSON (10) and KELLY MEGGS's (8) 476 Motion for Enlargement of Page Limit. Whatever motion Defendants intend to file, the court will stop reading it after page 45. See LCrR 47(e). The court will not allow this case to become a forum for bombastic arguments ("SCOTUS Could Not Have Foreseen the Holocaust," see ECF No. 476-2, at 1) or propagating fringe views about COVID-19 or vaccinations ("A Human Experiment Unlike Any Other," "Pseudo-Science Displaces Science," "Mandatory Everything," "C19 Conspiracy Structure," see ECF No. 476-2, at 2). To this court's knowledge, the D.C. Department of Corrections does not require any person held there to accept a COVID-19 vaccine. If that is the intended basis of Defendants' motion, they must file a brief of no more than five pages (excluding exhibits) establishing such a mandatory policy before the court will accept a longer filing. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 11/01/2021. (lcapm1) (Entered: 11/01/2021)

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