

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :
 :
 v. : **21 Cr. 035 (RC)**
 :
MASON JOEL COURSON, :
 :
 Defendant. :

JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE SENTENCING

The United States, by and through the United States Attorney, and the defendant, Mason Joel Courson, by and through his attorney Nicholas D. Smith, Esq., hereby move this Court to continue the sentencing hearing for Mr. Courson, currently scheduled for March 31, 2023, until mid-to-late April.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

As this Court is aware, the defendant is charged via indictment with felony and misdemeanor offenses related to crimes that occurred at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021, including violations of 18 U.S.C. § 231(a)(3), Civil Disorder; 18 U.S.C § 111(a)(1) and (b) and 2, Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers or Employees with a Deadly or Dangerous Weapon; 18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1), (2), and (4), Knowingly Entering or Remaining in any Restricted Building or Grounds Without Lawful Authority, Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a Restricted Building or Grounds, Knowingly Committing an Act of Physical Violence in any Restricted Building or Grounds; and 40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(F), engaging in an Act of Physical Violence in the Capitol Grounds or Buildings.

On November 30, 2022, the defendant pled guilty to one count of Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers or Employees with a Deadly or Dangerous Weapon, in violation of 18

U.S.C § 111(a)(1) and (b) and 2. Following the change of plea, this Court set the defendant's sentencing hearing for March 31, 2023 and ordered that the parties file their sentencing memoranda by March 21, 2023, with responses due by March 27, 2023.

Defense counsel is currently involved in another trial in this District, which may extend through March 31, 2023.

WHEREFORE, the parties respectfully request that that the Court adjourn the defendant's sentencing until the week of April 10, 2023 or April 17, 2023 and adjust the deadlines for the submission of sentencing memoranda accordingly

Respectfully submitted,

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