

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )  
 )  
 v. ) No. 21-CR-731-RC  
 ) Honorable Rudolph Contreras  
 )  
 LAWRENCE LIGAS )

**MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL**

NOW COMES the defendant, LAWRENCE LIGAS, by and through his attorney, Michael J. Petro, and hereby requests this Honorable Court to grant this MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL. In support of this motion, defendant states as follows:

1. LIGAS is currently charged with numerous misdemeanor offense related to January 6.
2. LIGAS' case is currently set for a bench trial on April 3, 2023.
3. On information and belief, LIGAS has a complicated medical condition and will be seeking to move the April 3, 2023 court date.
4. LIGAS would like this Honorable Court to appoint him counsel.
5. LIGAS was contacted regarding this Motion.
6. AUSA Benet was contacted regarding this Motion.

WHEREFORE, the LIGAS prays that this Honorable Court to grant this MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

By His Attorney,

s/Michael J. Petro

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, MICHAEL J. PETRO, an attorney, state that I caused to be filed, by electronic filing (ECF), with the Clerk of the United States District Court the foregoing Pleading. The undersigned also certifies, as to the following parties, that in accordance with F.R.Civ.P. 5, the foregoing pleading, along with a notice of motion if required, were served pursuant to the district court's ECF system on Wednesday, February 01, 2023.

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