

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	
v.)	CRIMINAL NO. 21-CR-623 (CRC)
)	
KIRSTYN NIEMALA)	

**DEFENSE COUNSEL’S NOTICE TO THE COURT REGARDING
WITHDRAWAL**

Kira Anne West, court appointed counsel for Kirstyn Niemala, pursuant to the rules and laws of this Court, again respectfully requests that this Honorable Court allow her to withdraw her representation of Ms. Niemela. In support of this request, she states the following:

1. Undersigned counsel appeared on July 14, 2022 for a status conference and the motion to withdraw was heard by this Court. At that time, this Court ordered undersigned counsel to give it a week, discuss the issue with Ms. Niemela, and report back.
2. Undersigned counsel has done her very best to communicate with Ms. Niemela with no progress. There is clearly a fundamental inability to communicate between Ms. Niemela and undersigned counsel. Many of the emails sent by Ms. Niemela to undersigned counsel are difficult for undersigned counsel to understand and

