

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

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| <b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b> | : |                                |
|                                 | : |                                |
| <b>V.</b>                       | : | <b>CASE NO. 22-MJ-00184-01</b> |
|                                 | : |                                |
| <b>BENJAMIN COLE</b>            | : |                                |
|                                 | : |                                |
| <b>DEFENDANT.</b>               | : |                                |

**CONSENT MOTION TO CONTINUE STATUS CONFERENCE AND EXCLUDE TIME  
UNDER THE SPEEDY TRIAL ACT**

The United States, through undersigned counsel, hereby files this motion to adjourn the status conference set for Tuesday, March 14, 2023, in the above-captioned matter, for approximately 2 weeks, until Tuesday, March 28, 2023. Counsel for defendant is currently in trial and requests additional time to complete a review of pre-indictment discovery and discuss the government's plea offer.

The parties request that the Court exclude the time from March 14, 2023, until the next status conference, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161 *et seq.*, on the basis that the ends of justice served by taking such actions outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial pursuant to the factors described in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, a copy of the foregoing was served on counsel of record for the defendant via the Court's Electronic Filing System.

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