
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION**

**1:20-cr-00296-JPB-CMS
USA v. Thomas et al
Honorable J. P. Boulee**

Minute Sheet for proceedings held In Open Court on 01/24/2024.

TIME COURT COMMENCED: 1:00 P.M.
TIME COURT CONCLUDED: 3:35 P.M.
TIME IN COURT: 2:35
OFFICE LOCATION: Atlanta

COURT REPORTER: Penny Coudriet
DEPUTY CLERK: Jennifer Lee

DEFENDANT(S): [5]Carla Jackson Present at proceedings
[11]John Gaines Present at proceedings
[13]Jerry Baptiste Present at proceedings
[20]Teldrin Foster Present at proceedings

ATTORNEY(S)
PRESENT: Tal Chaiken representing USA
Saraliene Durrett representing Teldrin Foster
Douglas Gilfillan representing Jerry Baptiste
Samir Kaushal representing USA
David Marshall representing Carla Jackson
Babasijibomi Moore representing USA
Aditya Shrivastava representing Jerry Baptiste
Deana Timberlake-Wiley representing John Gaines
Leigh Webster representing Teldrin Foster

PROCEEDING
CATEGORY: Pretrial Conference;

MOTIONS RULED ON: DFT#5/11/13/20-[796]Motion in Limine GRANTED IN PART & DENIED IN PART
WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO RENEW AT TRIAL.
DFT#20-[788]Motion in Limine DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO RENEW AT
TRIAL.
DFT#20-[790]Motion for Disclosure GRANTED IN PART & DENIED IN PART
DFT#20-[791]Motion for Miscellaneous Relief DENIED
DFT#20-[803]Motion to Compel GRANTED IN PART & DENIED IN PART
DFT#20-[829]Motion to Compel GRANTED
DFT#20-[830]Motion for Relief DEFERRED

MINUTE TEXT: The government stated it plans to call around 20 witnesses and estimated 10 days plus the additional time needed for Defendants' extensive cross examinations; Defendants Foster, Jackson and Gaines each estimated less than a day for their presentations. The Court discussed parties' proposed voir dire and ruled on parties' objections. The Court granted the parties' request for up to 30 minutes each for opening statements and took under advisement the government's request for 90 minutes closing and Defendants' requests for 45 minutes each for closings. The Court advised counsel to work out amongst themselves the order of defendants' presentations during trial. Defendants'

unopposed requests for an additional four preemptory strikes each were taken under advisement. Defendant Foster's reply brief to [830] Motion for Relief to Exclude Expert Testimony is due by noon on January 25. The Court heard argument from counsel on the pending motions in limine. The Court DENIED without prejudice to renew at trial [788] Motions in Limine. The Court granted the government's [796] Motions in Limine as to the self-authentication evidence subject to determination about relevance as unopposed, except as to the documents provided by Transportation Management, with Defendants reserving the right to object on relevance grounds as needed. The Court granted Foster's [790]/[803] Motions to Compel in part. The government is charged with redacting and distributing the partially redacted sentencing memo and PSR for Gena Pyfrom-Foster as noted in open court, as well as providing the IRS testimony script to defense. The request for PSRs of other non-testifying witnesses was denied. Foster's [791] Motion to Play Implicit Bias Video was denied. The government's [829] Motion to Compel Expert Discovery and Exclude Certain Opinion Testimony was denied as moot as to the custom scripts request and granted as to the hearsay concern.

HEARING STATUS: Hearing Concluded