
**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 09/08/2021.

TIME COURT COMMENCED: 10:15 A.M.

TIME COURT CONCLUDED: 11:20 A.M.

TIME IN COURT: 1:05

OFFICE LOCATION: Atlanta

COURT REPORTER: Penny Coudriet

DEPUTY CLERK: Brittney Walker

DEFENDANT(S): [4]Bern Benoit Present at proceedings

ATTORNEY(S) Tal Chaiken representing USA

PRESENT: Anthony Egbase representing Bern Benoit

Nathan Kitchens representing USA

Siji Moore representing USA

PROCEEDING

CATEGORY:

Sentencing Hearing(Sentencing Hearing Non-evidentiary);

MINUTE TEXT:

Defendant and defense counsel waived in-person appearance and consented to appearing for this hearing via Zoom. There were no objections to PSR by the Government or Defendant. PSR was adopted by the Court to which no objection was raised. The Court presented guideline calculations and sentencing options. Defense counsel requested a downward departure and variance. Defense counsel spoke on Defendant's behalf. Defendant spoke on his behalf. The Court denied defense counsel's request. The Court advised Defendant of his right of allocution. The sentence was pronounced. The 3553 factors and appeal rights were given by the Court. See J&C and transcript for more details.

HEARING STATUS: Hearing Concluded