IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA
CHARLESTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

PLAINTIFF,

V. CASE NO.: 2:24-cr-00192

KISHA SUTTON,

DEFENDANT.

DEFENDANT KISHA SUTTON'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT SHAMISE WRIGHT'S SECOND MOTION TO CONTINUE PRE-TRIAL AND TRIAL DATES

NOW COMES the Defendant, Kisha Sutton, by and through counsel, Connor Robertson, and responds to Defendant Shamise Wright's Second Motion to Continue Pre-Trial and Trial Dates (ECF 209) and states that Defendant, Kisha Sutton, has no objection to a continuation of the pre-trial and trial dates. Although Defendant Sutton doesn't necessarily join in the Motion, she nonetheless wanted to inform the Court that there is no objection to the Court granting the continuance. Defendant Sutton understands this would likely continue the trial for her case as well.

Additionally, undersigned counsel recognizes and supports the analysis and reasoning set forth by Defendant Wright's counsel in her request for a continuance. It is imperative that defense counsel has adequate time to prepare a defense case, especially in a complicated white collar crime allegation. The United States Government gets to investigate and prepare its case, in most cases, over a matter of years; on the flip side, CJA counsel isn't afforded the same opportunity. Undersigned counsel agrees with Defendant's

Wright's counsel that 60 days is hardly enough time to fully prepare for trial. This is especially so when taking over for another attorney. If there are no allegations that the defense hasn't been diligently preparing, the benefit of the doubt should be decided in the favor of CJA counsel and the Defendant. Not granting a continuance, sought in good faith by Defense counsel, especially when the allegation is that the Defendant isn't fully comprehending the case, only sets up counsel to defend an ineffective claim down the road.

WHEREFORE, Defendant Sutton does not object to the request for a continuance, supports the reasoning of Defendant Wright's counsel, understands the ramifications of a continuance to her own case, and believes that said request is being made in good faith.

Respectfully submitted,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Connor Robertson, certify that on the 28th day of May, 2025, a copy of the foregoing motion was served on the United States by ECF, to Jonathan Storage, Assistant United States Attorney to the following:

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