

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

HEATH GAUTHIER

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Case No. 1:23-cr-15-JL

ASSENTED-TO MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

The United States of America moves for a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture for the following reasons:

1. The defendant, Heath Gauthier, has pleaded guilty to a Superseding Indictment that charges him with possession of child pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252(A)(a)(5)(B) & (b)(2), and has agreed to forfeit: : (A) One Western Digital 1 GB My Book 1110 external drive; SN: WCAV5J746167; (B) One Toshiba Laptop Computer Satellite P75-A7200, SN: 8D040167C; (C) One Motorola Edge Plus 2022 cell phone IMEI-356439690571575, and (D) One SD Card. DN 38, ¶ 13. The defendant acknowledges that (A) through (D) facilitated the charged offenses. *Id.*

2. Thus, the United States respectfully requests that this Court enter a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture, forfeiting to the United States (A) through (D), described above, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2253. The United States will follow the provisions of Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(6) regarding publication and notification to any potential third-party claimants.

The Court should order the Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations, or any appropriate federal law enforcement agency, to seize and maintain custody of the forfeited property until further order of the Court.

The defendant has previously assented to this motion through his signed plea agreement on February 14, 2024. DN 38, ¶ 13.

Respectfully submitted,

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