

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	}	CASE NO.
Plaintiff,		
v.		
ANDREW MARNELL,		
		2:20-MJ-3313
	}	ORDER OF DETENTION
Defendant.		

I.

A. () On motion of the Government in a case allegedly involving:

1. () a crime of violence.
2. () an offense with maximum sentence of life imprisonment or death.
3. () a narcotics or controlled substance offense with maximum sentence of ten or more years .
4. () any felony - where the defendant has been convicted of two or more prior offenses described above.
5. () any felony that is not otherwise a crime of violence that involves a minor victim, or possession or use of a firearm or destructive device or any other dangerous weapon, or a failure to register under 18 U.S.C § 2250.

B. (✓) On motion by the Government / () on Court's own motion, in a case

allegedly involving:

(✓) On the further allegation by the Government of:

1. (✓) a serious risk that the defendant will flee.

2. () a serious risk that the defendant will:

a. () obstruct or attempt to obstruct justice.

b. () threaten, injure, or intimidate a prospective witness or juror or attempt to do so.

C. The Government () is/ (✓) is not entitled to a rebuttable presumption that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the defendant's appearance as required and the safety of any person or the community.

II.

A. (✓) The Court finds that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure:

1. (✓) the appearance of the defendant as required.

(✓) and/or

2. (✓) the safety of any person or the community.

B. () The Court finds that the defendant has not rebutted by sufficient evidence to the contrary the presumption provided by statute.

III.

The Court has considered:

A. the nature and circumstances of the offense(s) charged, including whether the offense is a crime of violence, a Federal crime of terrorism, or involves a minor victim or a controlled substance, firearm, explosive, or destructive device;

B. the weight of evidence against the defendant;

C. the history and characteristics of the defendant; and

D. the nature and seriousness of the danger to any person or to the community.

1 IV.

2 The Court also has considered all the evidence adduced at the hearing and the
3 arguments and/or statements of counsel, and the Pretrial Services
4 Report/recommendation.

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6 V.

7 The Court bases the foregoing finding(s) on the following:

8 A. (✓) As to flight risk:

9 A large amount of money, more than \$9 million, is alleged to have been stolen and more
10 than \$1 million is still missing from the charged fraud crime. Defendant admits he had more
11 than \$200,000 in cash in his possession, and more than \$300,000 in cash was seized from
12 his residence -- some from the toilet, indicating consciousness of guilt. Fake identification
13 documents in other people's names were found in defendant's residence, with defendant's
14 picture on them and sophisticated authentication features, and the charged fraud crime
15 involved the use of fake IDs, including fake passports, similar to the fake IDs found in his
16 residence. Defendant is facing a potential lengthy prison sentence for serious conduct, and
17 he has limited ties to the district and limited or no bail resources, and has not proposed an
18 adequate surety to counterbalance flight concerns.

19 B. (✓) As to danger:

20 Defendant is charged with a serious fraud offense, involving allegations that he stole more
21 than \$9 million from government programs designed to help victims suffering from the
22 economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic, and he allegedly spent a large amount of this
23 money gambling in the stock market and at casinos. United States v. Reynolds, 956 F.2d
24 192, 192 (9th Cir. 1992) (holding that pecuniary danger is a form of community danger
25 with respect to the danger requirement of section 3143). Defendant was found with a large
26 amount of methamphetamine in his residence with some indication of possible intent to
27 distribute. All of these facts combined with the seriousness of the charged criminal conduct
28 demonstrate, by clear and convincing evidence, an ongoing danger to the community.

VI.

25 A. () The Court finds that a serious risk exists that the defendant will:

26 1. () obstruct or attempt to obstruct justice.

27 2. () attempt to/ () threaten, injure or intimidate a witness or juror.

1 B. The Court bases the foregoing finding(s) on the following:
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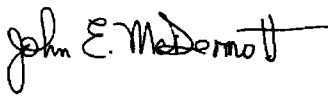
11 A. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the defendant be detained prior to trial.

12 B. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant be committed to the custody
13 of the Attorney General for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to
14 the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being
15 held in custody pending appeal.

16 C. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant be afforded reasonable
17 opportunity for private consultation with counsel.

18 D. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, on order of a Court of the United States
19 or on request of any attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the
20 corrections facility in which the defendant is confined deliver the defendant
21 to a United States marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection
22 with a court proceeding.
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26 DATED: 7/21/2020


UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE