

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
for the
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

U.S.A. vs. Dontrell Barnes

Docket No. 5:23-CR-94-1D

Petition for Action on Supervised Release

COMES NOW Orlando M. Roberts, U.S. Probation Officer of the court, presenting a petition for modification of the Judgment and Commitment Order of Dontrell Barnes, who, upon an earlier plea of guilty to Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1349 and 1343 was sentenced by the Honorable James C. Dever III, United States District Judge, on February 22, 2024, to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons for a term of 12 months and 1 day. It was further ordered that upon release from imprisonment the defendant be placed on supervised release for a period of 3 years.

Dontrell Barnes was released from custody on January 31, 2025, at which time the term of supervised release commenced.

RESPECTFULLY PRESENTING PETITION FOR ACTION OF COURT FOR CAUSE AS FOLLOWS:

Per the Judgment and Commitment Order, the defendant was ordered to pay a \$100 special assessment and \$153,711.46 restitution. The court also ordered that the defendant pay the monetary penalties immediately and pay a minimum payment of \$25 per quarter through the Inmate Financial Responsibility Program. At the time of release, the defendant was ordered to pay in installments of \$200 per month to begin 60 days after his release from prison. The restitution was joint and several with Monica Faye Barnes (5:23-CR-94-1D), Quentin Allen Jackson (5:22-CR-180-1D), Schunda Coleman (5:22-CR-257-2D), and Edward Sheldon Whitaker (5:22-CR-257-1D).

As previously noted, the defendant was sentenced to a term of imprisonment. While incarcerated, he paid the special assessment in full and \$300 toward the restitution. On January 31, 2025, the defendant signed an agreement to pay his outstanding financial obligation at the rate of \$200 per month, beginning on April 1, 2025. To date, he has paid \$40 since his release from prison and still owes a balance of \$153,371.46. Based on that payment plan, the defendant has arrearage of \$760. When confronted about the delinquent payments, he advised that he is unable to make the \$200 monthly payments because his current income is considerably lower than his income prior to incarceration. In response to the defendant's delinquent payments, he was directed to complete a financial statement. Based on a review of the financial statement, it is respectfully recommended that the defendant's monthly payments be reduced to installments of at least \$50 beginning on September 1, 2025, until his financial status improves.

PRAYING THAT THE COURT WILL ORDER that supervised release be modified as follows:

1. The defendant shall pay to the Clerk of Court at least \$50 per month beginning on September 1, 2025, and continuing each month until his financial obligation is paid in full.

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Except as herein modified, the judgment shall remain in full force and effect.

Reviewed and approved,

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing
Is true and correct.

/s/ David W. Leake
David W. Leake
Supervising U.S. Probation Officer

/s/ Orlando M. Roberts
Orlando M. Roberts
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Executed On: July 30, 2025

ORDER OF THE COURT

Considered and ordered this 31 day of July, 2025, and ordered filed and made a part of the records in the above case.

James C. Dever III
James C. Dever III
United States District Judge