

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
ORLANDO DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. 6:22-cr-00201-WWB-LHP
	)	
EVAN EDWARDS,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
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**NOTICE OF DEFENDANT'S
COMPLIANCE WITH COURT ORDER [DKT. 175]**

COMES NOW, the undersigned counsel, and in compliance with this Court's Order dated May 10, 2024, [Dkt. 175] hereby states as follows:

1. On May 10, 2024, this Court entered an Order requiring the undersigned counsel to keep the Court advised as to the prior Order's requirement that the Defendant, *inter alia*, "shall get himself admitted to the Orlando Regional Medical Center" for evaluation and the completion of certain forms. Dkt 175. This was to be done "no later than" May 15, 2024. *Id.*

2. Within five (5) minutes of receipt, a member of the office of the undersigned¹ transmitted the same to the Defendant's third-party custodian, Mary

¹The Court may recall that counsel for the Defendant remains, as of the date of this submission, lead defense counsel in a two-week jury trial ongoing in Orange County Circuit Court.

Jane Edwards, and called to request confirmation of receipt of the same. No call back was received until after close of business on May 10, 2024.

3. On May 13, 2024, at approximately 5:45 p.m., the undersigned spoke with the Defendant's third-party custodian and requested an update as to her progress in compliance with the Court's Order.

4. Ms. Edwards' response to the undersigned was that her daughter, Joy Edwards, visited ORMC that day and its respective, individualized divisions (*e.g.*, Neurology, Orthopedics, and others) in an attempt to discuss possible admission of her father for evaluation. Despite a request for confirmation and details of the same, none have been provided to the undersigned by Mrs. Edwards nor her daughter.

5. During this call, Mrs. Edwards was instructed to await contact from the undersigned before transporting the Defendant to ORMC. Mrs. Edwards was further instructed that upon transport to ORMC, she must bring with her a copy of the medical information forms as supplied by the USMS as well as a copy of the Court's Order dated May 10, 2024.

6. On the afternoon of May 14, 2024, Mrs. Edwards informed the office of the undersigned that the Defendant was admitted to ORMC for evaluation, in compliance with this Court's Order requiring the same. This was the first communication shared with the office of the undersigned since the telephone call the prior evening, despite multiple attempts to contact Mrs. Edwards prior to her taking

Mr. Edwards to ORMC. Based on email traffic from ORMC, it appears that the United States and their contacts at ORMC were aware of Mr. Edwards presentation at the Emergency Department as well as the terms of the Court's Order of May 10, 2024, before the undersigned was made aware of the Defendant's admission to ORMC.

7. Today, Mrs. Edwards further stated that (a) her husband had been "admitted" to ORMC, (b) that the attending physicians had refused to complete the requested paperwork, despite having been supplied with this Court's Order of May 10, 2024, and (c) was discharged from ORMC and returned home.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned hereby submit the instant notice of compliance with this Court's Order dated May 10, 2024. Dkt. 175.

Respectfully submitted this 14th day of May, 2024.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 14th day of May, 2024, I filed a copy of the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court via the CM/ECF system. I further certify that opposing counsel to this case received service via hand delivery.

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