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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
ORLANDO DIVISION

United States of America
v.
Emmet Bowens
Case No. 6:21-cr-00141-RBD-EJK

DEFENDANT'S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO WITHDRAW GUILTY PLEA

Defendant Emmet Bowens respectfully submits this reply in response to the Government's Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Withdraw Guilty Plea.

Legal Standard: Under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11(d)(2)(B), a defendant may withdraw a guilty plea before sentencing if the defendant can demonstrate a fair and just reason for the request.

Circumstances of the Plea: The plea occurred during the first day of trial after jury selection had begun. Defendant had prepared for trial and had not entered into a written plea agreement with the Government.

Competency History: This case includes a documented history of competency proceedings including a prior finding of incompetency and later restoration.

Prompt Request: Defendant moved to withdraw the guilty plea shortly after it was entered due to concerns regarding the circumstances surrounding the plea.

Conclusion: Defendant respectfully requests that the Court grant the Motion to Withdraw Guilty Plea or conduct a hearing regarding the circumstances of the plea.

Respectfully submitted,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
I certify that a true and correct copy of this document was mailed to the United States Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida on this 12 day of March, 2026.

SWORN DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO WITHDRAW GUILTY PLEA

I, Emmet Bowens, declare under penalty of perjury that the following statements are true and correct.

1. I entered a guilty plea during the first day of trial proceedings after jury selection had begun.

2. At the time I entered the plea, I was under significant stress and pressure due to the trial proceedings.

3. Prior to entering the plea I had prepared to proceed to trial.

4. This case includes a history of competency proceedings including a prior finding of incompetency and later restoration.

5. Because of these circumstances I believe my decision to plead guilty was made under confusion and pressure.

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

Executed on: March 12, 2026
Signature: Emmet Bowens
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