UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT GREENEVILLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
	)	
v.	)	**No. 2:18-CR-25**
	)	**JUDGE REEVES**
LESLIE DANIELLE BETHEA	)	

MOTION TO CONTINUE PLEA DEADLINE AND TRIAL DATE

Leslie Danielle Bethea, by counsel, moves the Court for a continuance of the plea deadline and trial date in this case. In support of this motion, defendant states and shows as follows:

1. The plea deadline is September 4, 2018, and the trial is scheduled for September 18, 2018.

2. Plea negotiations are underway and defense counsel requests additional time to determine whether the case may be resolved without a trial. In the event plea negotiations are unsuccessful, counsel requests that the trial be continued as well.

3. The request for a continuance is not being made for the purposes of delay.

4. AUSA Robert M. Reeves has no objection to the request for a continuance.

In consideration of the foregoing, counsel for the defendant requests a continuance of the plea deadline and trial date.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

FEDERAL DEFENDER SERVICES OF
EASTERN TENNESSEE, INC.

BY: s/ *Nikki C. Pierce*
Nikki C. Pierce
BPR No. 018181
Federal Defender Services
219 West Depot Street, Suite 2
Greeneville, TN 37743
(423) 636-1301

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 4, 2018, a copy of the foregoing Motion to Continue was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all parties indicated on the electronic filing receipt. All other parties will be served by regular U.S. mail. Parties may access this filing through the Court's electronic filing system.

s/ *Nikki C. Pierce*