UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

USA, Plaintiff, v. LUKE BRUGNARA, Defendant.	Case No. 24-cr-00277-MMC-1 **ORDER FOR CRIMINAL PRETRIAL PREPARATION**

Good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

TRIAL:

Trial will begin on **Monday, June 1, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.** Estimated length of trial is 5 to 7 days.

DISCOVERY:

By the close of business, **Wednesday, October 15, 2025,** the parties will exchange the information, documents and tangible objects required by Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. Additional discovery shall be by motion accompanied by affidavits setting forth the unusual circumstances justifying discovery beyond the limits of Rule 16.

PRIOR TO FILING ANY DISCOVERY-RELATED MOTIONS, COUNSEL SHALL:

1. Meet and confer with opposing counsel, and

2. File a declaration, under penalty of perjury, that counsel has conferred with opposing counsel with respect to each and every issue on an informal basis. Said declaration may be filed contemporaneously with the motion. If no such declaration is filed, the motion papers will not be considered.

MOTIONS:

All motions other than motions in limine will be heard on **Date to be Determined at 2:15 p.m.** Motions, affidavits and memoranda shall be filed and served by the moving party no later than 4:00 P.M. on **Date to be Determined.** Any opposition shall be filed and served no later than 4:00 p.m. on **Date to be Determined**. The parties shall submit a joint proposal as to briefing and hearing dates for any dispositive motion(s).

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PRETRIAL CONFERENCE:

A Pretrial Conference will be held on **Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.** At the Pretrial Conference the parties shall be prepared to discuss the matters set forth in Criminal Local Rule 17.1-1(b).

MOTIONS IN LIMINE:

All in limine motions will be heard on **Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at 10:00 A.M.**. Motions, affidavits and memoranda shall be filed and served by the moving party no later than 4:00 P.M. on April 28, 2026. Any opposition shall be filed and served no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 5, 2026.

Each in limine motion shall be *numbered* and shall be submitted as a *separate filed document.*

PRETRIAL PREPARATION:

Not less than **five court days** before the Pretrial Conference, counsel for the government shall:

(1) Serve and file a trial memorandum briefly stating the legal bases for the charges and the anticipated evidence, and addressing any evidentiary, procedural or other anticipated legal issues;

(2) Serve and file a list of all witnesses who may be called, together with a brief summary of the testimony of each;

(3) Serve and lodge a proposed form of verdict;

(4) Serve and lodge proposed questions for jury voir dire; and

(5) Serve and lodge copies of all exhibits to be offered at trial, together with a complete list (**see attached form**) of those exhibits. Each exhibit shall be premarked with an exhibit sticker (**see attached form**), the government's with numbers.

Not less than **five court days** before the Pretrial Conference, defense counsel shall comply with subparagraphs (3) and (4) above, and, to the extent consistent with the defendant's right to an effective defense, with subparagraphs (1), (2) and (5) above, the defendant's exhibits to be premarked with letters.

JURY INSTRUCTIONS:

All proposed jury instructions and any objections thereto are to be filed and served no later than **five court days** before the pretrial conference.

In advance of the pretrial filings the parties shall do the following:

(1) Meet and confer and resolve all jury instructions to the extent possible. The parties are expected to resolve technical or semantic differences.

(2) Prepare **one joint** set of instructions upon which the parties agree.

(3) The parties shall submit separately only those instructions upon which there is substantive disagreement. The party or parties objecting to an instruction shall file a written objection. The form of the objection shall be as follows:

(a) Set forth in full the instruction to which the objection is made;

(b) Provide concise argument and citation to authority explaining why the instruction is improper.

(c) Set forth in full an alternative instruction, if any;

(4) All instructions should be concise, understandable and neutral statements of law. Argumentative instructions will not be given and should not be submitted.

(5) Any modifications of instructions from the Ninth Circuit Model Jury Instructions or other form instructions must identify the modifications made to the original form instruction and the authority supporting the modification.

TRANSCRIPTS:

If transcripts will be requested during or immediately after trial, arrangements must be made with the court reporter at least **one week** before trial commences.

CHANGE OF PLEA:

Defendant's counsel shall give prompt notice to the United States Attorney and to the Court of any intention to change a previously entered not guilty plea.

EXHIBITS:

Each party is responsible for that party's exhibits. Upon the conclusion of the trial, the parties shall file their respective exhibits in accordance with Civil Local Rule 5-1(g) and 79-4(a) and (b).

CHAMBERS COPIES:

Chambers copies of all filed documents shall be marked "Chambers Copy" and submitted to the Court no later than noon on the business day following the filing.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Dated: June 30, 2025

MAXINE M. CHESNEY
Senior United States District Judge

Attachments

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EXHIBIT LIST

( ) Plaintiff ( ) Defendant

EXHIBIT NUMBER	MARKED	ADMITTED	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT

Case No. _____ **PLTF** Exhibit No. 1 Date Admitted _____ Signature _____	Case No. _____ **DEFT** Exhibit No. A Date Admitted _____ Signature _____
Case No. _____ **PLTF** Exhibit No. 2 Date Admitted _____ Signature _____	Case No. _____ **DEFT** Exhibit No. B Date Admitted _____ Signature _____
Case No. _____ **PLTF** Exhibit No. 3 Date Admitted _____ Signature _____	Case No. _____ **DEFT** Exhibit No. C Date Admitted _____ Signature _____
Case No. _____ **PLTF** Exhibit No. 4 Date Admitted _____ Signature _____	Case No. _____ **DEFT** Exhibit No. D Date Admitted _____ Signature _____
Case No. _____ **PLTF** Exhibit No. 5 Date Admitted _____ Signature _____	Case No. _____ **DEFT** Exhibit No. E Date Admitted _____ Signature _____
Case No. _____ **PLTF** Exhibit No. 6 Date Admitted _____ Signature _____	Case No. _____ **DEFT** Exhibit No. F Date Admitted _____ Signature _____