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November 7, 2025

The Honorable Aileen M. Cannon
United States District Judge
Alto Lee Adams, Sr. United States Courthouse
101 South U.S. Highway 1, Chambers 4044
Fort Pierce, FL 34950

Re: United States v. Dustin Sean McCabe, Case No. 1:21-cr-20416-AIC-1

Dear Judge Cannon,

I am writing to respectfully bring to your attention several serious concerns regarding recent filings related to restitution and the hearing originally scheduled for October 30, later rescheduled for November 17.

I was never informed by my attorneys that they entered into a stipulation regarding restitution. This was done without my knowledge, input, or consent. Instead, I was approached this week by an unidentified man who stated he was "doing a favor" for attorney John Musca. Only after reviewing the paperwork he asked me to sign did I learn that a waiver of my court appearance — and a stipulation regarding restitution — were prepared.

I have no objection to the restitution amount even though I have never seen the supporting documents, and I have no objection to the Court having the restitution hearing without my presence. But I am concerned that this is just one more time that my attorneys have made decisions and representations to the Court without my knowledge.

I hired John Musca because of his boating and admiralty experience. But he disappeared and played no role in my trial. He would not answer my phone calls and blocked my number from the jail. Now he has prepared "stipulations" and "waivers" but hasn't talked to me in over a year. Then one day Ms. Francis and Mr. O'Sullivan showed up and said they were representing me. We were close to trial and I had no choice. But they knew nothing about boating or admiralty. And not only did they make decisions throughout trial without telling me, they ignored all my requests, questions and suggestions. I did not know what to do.

And here I am again. I have not spoken with any of my attorneys since I was convicted. They did not contact me or talk to me before sentencing and they have not talked to me about restitution. I am not complaining about the amount – it seems reasonable and I will take responsibility for it. But I just wanted you to know that I am beyond frustrated by how I have been treated and ignored by my own attorneys. My intent in writing is not to assign blame but to ensure the record reflects that I was neither informed of nor involved in the decisions now presented as my own.

Respectfully,

Dustin Sean McCabe
Typed and mailed by his sister, Krista McMahan, at his request.

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