

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY  
STATE OF GEORGIA

STATE OF GEORGIA,	)	
	)	
v.	)	INDICTMENT NO.
	)	23SC188947
MICHAEL A. ROMAN,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
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**DEFENDANT MICHAEL ROMAN'S AFFIRMATIVE  
WAIVER OF STATUTORY RIGHT TO DEMAND A SPEEDY TRIAL**

Georgia law provides defendants in a criminal case a statutory right to demand speedy trial. Such a demand must be filed within the same term of court as when the indictment is returned, or within the following term of court. O.C.G.A. § 17-7-170. Mr. Roman hereby affirmatively waives his right to demand under said statute by and through undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted this 11th day of October, 2023.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the within and foregoing ***DEFENDANT MICHAEL ROMAN'S AFFIRMATIVE WAIVER OR STATUTORY RIGHT TO DEMAND A SPEEDY TRIAL*** has been served upon counsel for the State of Georgia by filing same with the Court's electronic filing system, which will deliver a copy by e-mail to the following counsel of record for the State:

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I further certify that, in compliance with Judge Scott McAfee's Standing Order a copy of this pleading has been emailed to the Court via the Litigation Manager Cheryl Vortice at *Cheryl.vortice@fultoncountyga.gov* with copies of such communication provided to all counsel of record for the State at the email addresses provided above.

This 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

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