

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

STATE OF GEORGIA,)	
)	
v.)	INDICTMENT NO.
)	23SC188947
MICHAEL A. ROMAN,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

**DEFENDANT MICHAEL ROMAN’S MOTION FOR
CONTINUANCE FROM OCTOBER 2023 TRIAL DATE AND TRIED
SEPARATELY FROM DEFENDANTS WHO FILED STATUTORY
SPEEDY TRIAL DEMANDS DURING THE AUGUST TERM OF COURT**

COMES NOW, Michael A. Roman, (“Mr. Roman”) Defendant in the above-styled action, by and through counsel, and hereby moves this Honorable Court to keep his trial separate from those defendants who have filed a statutory speedy trial demand to be tried by the end of the September/October 2023 court term.

Mr. Roman retrieved approximately 2TB of discovery from the Fulton County District Attorney’s Office (“FCDA”) on September 18, 2023. Upon information and belief, FCDA is supplementing discovery and discovery is not yet complete. Upon information and belief, FCDA announced that they were ready to try this case upon the indictment, but discovery is still ongoing. Upon information and belief, FCDA has represented that discovery is approximately 8TB of data. Since Mr. Roman has only received 2 TB of discovery, it appears that another 6 TB’s of discovery is outstanding.

Mr. Roman did not file a statutory speedy trial demand pursuant to O.C.G.A. Sec. 17-7-170 and does not seek to be tried with the two defendants, Powell and Cheseboro, who filed statutory demands to be tried within the September/October 2023 court term. By

filing this request for a continuance, Mr. Roman understands that his right to be tried within the September/October 2023 term of court is hereby waived.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd 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 MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE FROM OCTOBER 2023 TRIAL DATE AND TRIED SEPARATELY FROM DEFENDANTS WHO FILED STATUTORY SPEEDY TRIAL DEMANDS DURING THE AUGUST TERM OF COURT*** 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 3rd day of October, 2023.

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