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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, *
Plaintiff, *CASE NUMBERS:
vs. *2:19-cr-00466-ACA-JHE
*2:20-cr-00151-ACA-JHE
*2:20-cr-00405-ACA-JHE-1
ROLANDO ANTUAIN WILLIAMSON, *April 18, 2022
ADRIEN HIRAM TAYLOR, *Birmingham, Alabama
HENDARIUS LAMAR ARCHIE, 10:29 a.m.
ISHMYWEL CALID GREGORY,
Defendants.

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BEFORE THE HONORABLE ANNEMARIE CARNEY AXON
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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P R O C E E D I N G S

(In open court at 10:29 a.m. Defendants present.)

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THE COURT: Good morning. Ladies and gentlemen, I understand that one of our jurors is not feeling well today and believes that she is suffering from Covid symptoms. I've asked her to come -- I'm sorry. I've asked her to go and get a rapid and PCR test and to inform us of the results as soon as possible.

In the meantime, I have recalled the alternate jurors. When I let them go on Friday, I did not discharge them. I told them that they were not to discuss the case with each other or anyone else, for that matter, or research it because there might be a time where we need to recall them, and that time has come. So I understand from the jury organization department that the first alternate can be here within 45 minutes, or by 10:45. Excuse me. The second would be about an hour. But that second alternate is going to stay outside of this courtroom and will just be sequestered during the course of the deliberations should another person fall ill.

So, for that reason, I have called you all in here. Is there any objection? I don't want to discharge the juror who has these Covid symptoms because I want to ensure that I get a result from these tests. So I'm not going to discharge her, but is there any objection from any of the parties of continuing deliberations with the alternate with an eye toward discharging

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1 the sick juror once we get those results?

2 MR. CROSS: None from the United States, Your Honor.

3 MR. WOODFIN: No objection from Mr. Williamson, Your
4 Honor.

5 MR. GARDNER: None from Mr. Taylor, Your Honor.

6 MR. ALBEA: None from Mr. Gregory.

7 MS. WALLACE: None from Mr. Archie.

8 THE COURT: Thank you. I'm going to call the jury in
9 and inform them of the situation.

10 (Jury in at 10:31 a.m.)

11 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, you've already
12 noticed that one of your jurors is not here today. She is not
13 feeling well and she has -- she is feeling unwell, has some --
14 no fever, but some mild symptoms and stomach issues, and that
15 sort of thing. Out of an abundance of caution, we have asked
16 her to go get a Covid PCR and rapid test, and we will, of
17 course, inform you of the results of that just as soon as we
18 receive them. But in the interim, as you know, when I released
19 the alternate jurors on Friday, I told them, Don't talk about
20 the case because we might have to call you back. And that is
21 what we are going to do.

22 That will require you all to begin again your
23 deliberations. I guess the good news is that you were not here
24 very long on Friday deliberating. That juror expects to be here
25 within 15 minutes. And so, once they come, we will allow you

1 all to begin your deliberations. Okay? All right. Thank you,
2 all. I'm going to excuse you for the time being, and you can
3 just go back to the jury room, and I will take a moment to
4 speak to the alternate to remind him of the obligations and
5 tell him that we're going to start afresh. So if you all will
6 give me more than 15 minutes, I would appreciate it. Okay?
7 Thank you.

8 (Jury out at 10:34 a.m.)

9 THE COURT: All right. When the juror comes back, do
10 you wish for me to speak to him with all of you here. I'm happy
11 to do that. Or would it be simple enough for me just to say to
12 him, Thank you for coming back.

13 What I intend to tell him -- I should start with that --
14 is thanking him for coming back, confirming that he had not
15 spoken to anyone about this case nor read any articles, and
16 then, tell him that they're going to begin their deliberations
17 anew and that he should go back to the jury room. Is there
18 anything that anyone wishes me to add?

19 MR. CROSS: Not from the United States, and the United
20 States is fine with you doing that without us being present,
21 Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Woodfin.

23 MR. WOODFIN: Nothing from Mr. Williamson, Judge. That
24 would be fine.

25 MR. GARDNER: Your Honor, I agree with Mr. Cross's

1 position on behalf of Mr. Taylor.

2 THE COURT: Thank you.

3 MR. ALBEA: On behalf of Mr. Gregory, the same.

4 MS. WALLACE: On behalf of Mr. Archie, the same.

5 THE COURT: Okay. Well, I think I'll probably just go
6 back to my chambers now for that purpose, so I can see him in
7 chambers. And I will let you all go about whatever it was that
8 you were doing before. All right. Thank you.

9 (Recess at 10:36 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.)

10 (During the recess, at 10:49 a.m., the alternate juror was
11 instructed in chambers.)

12 (Jury deliberations resumed at 10:55 a.m.)

13 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, have you had an
14 opportunity to review question number two?

15 MR. WOODFIN: Yes, Your Honor.

16 MR. GARDNER: Yes, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: I am not clear on whether they're asking
18 about a situation where there's four members of a conspiracy A,
19 B, C, and D, and whether they're asking about whether A and B
20 have conspiracy and C and D have a conspiracy, or they're
21 addressing a situation where A and B have a conspiracy and A
22 and C have a conspiracy. Did anyone else find the question more
23 clear than I did?

24 MR. CROSS: We did not.

25 THE COURT: Don't all jump up at once with a response

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1 for the record.

2 MR. GARDNER: Your Honor, quite frankly, I don't know
3 what it's asking.

4 MR. CROSS: Your Honor, not to jump ahead, I just feel
5 like probably the answer is to refer them to your jury
6 instruction.

7 THE COURT: You did jump ahead. Can you answer the
8 first question I posed?

9 MR. CROSS: I think that, regardless, the answer will
10 be in the instructions, whatever their question may be.

11 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Woodfin.

12 MR. WOODFIN: Your Honor, I agree with the court. I
13 wasn't sure if they're -- I agree with the court's analysis. I
14 mean, I understand generally what maybe the question is about,
15 but I don't know which specific box they're talking about.

16 THE COURT: Mr. Albea.

17 MR. ALBEA: Judge, I agree. The question is not as
18 clear as maybe I would like it to be.

19 THE COURT: Ms. Wallace.

20 MS. WALLACE: Your Honor, I agree it's ambiguous.

21 THE COURT: Well, to the government's point, although
22 they won't tell us whether they believe their question is
23 ambiguous or not, I will say that sending a jury back for the
24 second time saying we've told you all we're going to tell you
25 does not benefit anybody. I do think that there is an

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1 your continuing deliberation and your diligence in these
2 matters. I have a question about your question. But before I
3 ask my question, I did want to go back. I know that on Friday
4 we had a question from the initial jury, and we were not able
5 to answer that, and I know that that gets very frustrating. I
6 think the instruction can be construed -- is oftentimes
7 construed too broadly, which is to say, it leaves the jury with
8 the impression that they can come back and ask questions about
9 the law or questions about certain evidence or why something
10 was explained or why something was not explained, and that is
11 so often not something that I can answer. And so, I don't want
12 you all to be frustrated with the answers we provide you.

13 By and large, the instructions we give and the evidence
14 you see is your universe under which you must determine the
15 innocence or guilt of a defendant. With respect to this
16 question, we are unclear what you are asking. And so, if and to
17 the extent we can answer it, we wanted to be sure we understood
18 it. So I was wondering if the foreperson felt comfortable
19 answering a multiple choice question.

20 JUROR: Yes, ma'am.

21 THE COURT: If you imagine four defendants, Defendant
22 A, Defendant B, Defendant C, Defendant D, your question could
23 be construed as if the evidence showed -- does the conspiracy
24 mean Defendant A and B conspired and C and D conspired? Or is
25 the question about A and B conspiring and A and C conspiring?

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1 That would be B. So choice A is you're talking about a
2 situation where A and B are conspiring and C and D are
3 conspiring. Choice B would be that A and B are conspiring and A
4 and C are conspiring. C could be none of the above. Does your
5 question contemplate A, B, or C?

6 JUROR: A and B.

7 THE COURT: It would be A and B?

8 JUROR: Yes.

9 THE COURT: So both situations. Why no D? Okay. All
10 right. Let me quickly see counsel up at the bench.

11 (Bench conference on the record, as follows:)

12 THE COURT: That didn't clarify anything for me. Did it
13 any of you?

14 MR. CROSS: To answer the court's question, I think it
15 begs to either be recharged or directed on what the conspiracy
16 may consist of, both known and unknown members and some members
17 may not even know the identity of the other members.

18 THE COURT: So the only way that I can see, given what
19 we know about this question, is I could read them -- I could
20 either -- there's one of two ways I can do this. I can either
21 tell them to go back and read your instruction, which I assume
22 that they already have, and that's the reason they've come to
23 ask a certain question, or I could simply read the conspiracy
24 charge again, in the absence of the particulars, which is to
25 say, where in Count 2 the defendants are charged with blah,

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1 blah, blah. I can omit that and begin with, A conspiracy is two
2 or more people who conspire to commit an unlawful plan, and
3 then, I would not go through the elements of the offense.

4 I would tell them that they can find the elements in the
5 instruction itself, and then go on to a person may be a
6 conspirator even though that may be the unlawful plan of all
7 the alleged conspirators. And even if they played a minor part,
8 they had a general understanding and can be guilty. But simply
9 being present at the scene of the event will only be associated
10 with certain people and discussing common goals and interests
11 doesn't establish proof of a conspiracy.

12 Also, a person who does not know about a conspiracy but
13 happens to act in a way that advances the purpose of one,
14 doesn't automatically become a conspirator. I think, when you
15 read that in isolation of the actual elements and the
16 introductory paragraph of what the charge is, it helps them
17 understand that the critical issue among these defendants is
18 whether they knew there was a plan. Because that's really what
19 the difference is. I mean, if you didn't know about the plan,
20 but you associated with these people, and you might have talked
21 about your own plan to sell drugs, but you didn't know that the
22 person you were speaking to had their own plan, then -- and
23 that is what separates whether or not you are a member of that
24 conspiracy. But I want to hear from all of you.

25 MR. CROSS: United States agrees with the court.

1 MR. DIMLER: Yeah.

2 MR. ALBEA: I know that the jury has a copy of the
3 instructions. Do they have a copy for each one or just one
4 master copy?

5 THE COURT: I think we gave them -- actually, I think
6 we ended up giving them each one because they -- because there
7 were so many charges and so many defendants. We didn't want
8 them passing the paper around. So each of them have the
9 instructions.

10 MR. ALBEA: Got you. Well, on behalf of Mr. Gregory, I
11 think recharge them. We agree with that.

12 THE COURT: You want me to reread everything to them?

13 MR. ALBEA: No, no. Just the part you went over.

14 MR. WOODFIN: On behalf of Mr. Williamson, I don't have
15 any objection to that, Judge.

16 MR. GARDNER: I'm not sure I really heard all of what
17 you were saying, but --

18 THE COURT: Well, let me tell you so that you don't
19 make a decision based on half of what you heard. I said there
20 are -- I see two options. I can either not instruct them and
21 just tell them to go back and read the instruction, which I am
22 assuming they've already read. That's why they asked the
23 question. The other option is for me to take out that first
24 paragraph that involves the defendants' names and the specific
25 nature of this conspiracy, and also to take out the elements of

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1 the conspiracy, and read to them the general construct of what
2 makes a conspiracy a conspiracy. At the end of which, I would
3 remind them that these specific elements have been set out in
4 the instruction, but what I would be -- the conspiracy is an
5 agreement by two or more people to commit an unlawful act.

6 The paragraph about the government doesn't have to prove
7 all the people named in the indictment were part of it, that
8 they can be a conspiracy without knowing all of the details but
9 if they played only a minor part, and if they played only a
10 minor part but with the understanding of the general nature,
11 they're on the hook. They can't be on the hook if they didn't
12 know of the general nature of the conspiracy.

13 MR. GARDNER: Okay. I guess on behalf of my client,
14 Judge, I just say that they have all of the instructions that
15 they need right now in the written form.

16 MS. WALLACE: On behalf of Mr. Archie, we have no
17 objections.

18 THE COURT: Here's my one thing that I'm trying to
19 avoid. First of all, if anyone wants to begin their opening or
20 closing statements with this is not what we see on TV because
21 that's what I frequently see with jurors. The other thing is,
22 when we keep telling them, No, we're not answering your
23 question, they stop working.

24 MR. GARDNER: I understand that.

25 THE COURT: So I'm anxious about just saying go back

1 and read the instruction, but if you don't agree, then that is
2 what we will do.

3 MR. GARDNER: How did my colleagues vote?

4 THE COURT: They did not have an objection to my
5 suggestion.

6 MR. GARDNER: I'll join with them.

7 THE COURT: Thank you.

8 (Bench conference concluded.)

9 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, I'm going
10 to reread you your conspiracy charge and I'm sure that you all
11 have already read it, and clearly you didn't -- I see you
12 shaking your heads -- and you didn't see that very helpful.
13 What I'm going to do, though, is I'm going to leave out the
14 specific parts of this case in that instruction when I read it
15 to you. When you go back, you can look at the specifics, but I
16 think by giving you a general instruction about the agreement,
17 it might help answer your question. I think, after carefully
18 considering your question before we came up here and getting
19 choice D, that might be the best that we can do under this
20 circumstance. So I'm just going to read it to you, again,
21 without -- interestingly, without the elements of this
22 particular offense, but sort of the background information on
23 what a conspiracy is, okay?

24 So a conspiracy is an agreement by two or more persons to
25 commit an unlawful act. In other words, it's kind of a

1 partnership for criminal purposes. Every member of the
2 conspiracy becomes the agent or partner of every other member.
3 The government does not have to prove that all of the people
4 named in the superseding indictment were members of the plan or
5 that those who were members made any kind of formal agreement.
6 The heart of a conspiracy is the making of the unlawful plan
7 itself. So the government does not have to prove that the
8 conspirators succeeded in carrying out the plan. A person may
9 be a conspirator, even without knowing all of the details of
10 the unlawful plan or the names and identities of all the other
11 alleged conspirators.

12 If a defendant played only a minor part in the plan, but
13 had a general understanding of the unlawful purpose of the
14 plan, and willfully joined in the plan on at least one
15 occasion, that's sufficient for you to find the defendant
16 guilty. But simply being present at the scene of an event or
17 merely associating with certain people and discussing common
18 goals and interests doesn't establish proof of a conspiracy.
19 Also, a person who doesn't know about a conspiracy, but happens
20 to act in a way that advances some purpose of one, doesn't
21 automatically become a conspirator.

22 Before I let you adjourn, I'm going to ask counsel to come
23 back one last time.

24 (Bench conference on the record, as follows:)

25 THE COURT: I thought I had a good idea, but now I'm

1 wondering. Do we want to note that the indictment, the
2 superseding indictment, charges with a conspiracy?

3 MR. GARDNER: I'm sorry?

4 THE COURT: Do we want to specifically note that the
5 superseding indictment charges only one conspiracy?

6 MR. DIMLER: My concern is that they don't
7 understand --

8 (Court Reporter Interruption.)

9 MR. DIMLER: My concern has always been that they don't
10 understand the phrase "both those known and unknown to the
11 grand jury". In other words, they would think it's not possible
12 that anyone who is not named would be a conspirator. And I
13 think you just read that and cleared that up. But I think if we
14 then tell them, well, there's only one conspiracy, it's in the
15 superseding indictment, they may interpret that to exclude the
16 definition you just read them, which is that, you know --

17 THE COURT: I mean, if this case was presented to the
18 grand jury, the grand jury considered those known to the
19 conspiracy.

20 MR. DIMLER: And unknown.

21 THE COURT: And unknown.

22 MR. DIMLER: That would be perfectly fine from the
23 government.

24 THE COURT: Only one conspiracy charged in this case.

25 MR. GARDNER: On behalf of Mr. Taylor, Your Honor, I

1 think that's a point well taken.

2 MR. WOODFIN: I couldn't hear the last part.

3 THE COURT: So I will tell the jury that when the grand
4 jury -- when this case was presented in the grand jury, there
5 were people known to be members of the conspiracy and people
6 who were not known to be members of the conspiracy --
7 conspirators that were not known to the grand jury.

8 MR. WOODFIN: Okay.

9 THE COURT: And that for their purposes, they should
10 consider the fact that this jury needs to consider the fact
11 that there is only one conspiracy charge.

12 MR. WOODFIN: Sure. I think that's accurate.

13 MR. DIMLER: I think that might clear up their
14 question.

15 THE COURT: So, by looking at all of your faces, I see
16 all of you nodding affirmatively; is that correct?

17 MR. GARDNER: I agree, Your Honor.

18 MR. CROSS: Yes.

19 MR. WOODFIN: Correct.

20 THE COURT: That's what I'm going to do. And I'm going
21 to do it quickly because I'll forget exactly what I'm going to
22 say.

23 (Bench conference concluded.)

24 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I hope I have one
25 other piece of information that might be helpful. When this

1 case was presented to the grand jury, the grand jury considered
2 the evidence, and at that time, there were people that were
3 known conspirators -- there were people that were known by the
4 grand jury to be alleged conspirators, and there were people
5 that were not known by the grand jury to be alleged
6 conspirators. For your -- for this jury's purposes, there is
7 only one conspiracy charged. So I think that concludes all of
8 the information that I can provide you, and at this time, I'd
9 ask that you return to the jury deliberation room to continue
10 your deliberations. Thank you very, very much.

11 (Jury out at 2:09 p.m. to resume deliberations.)

12 THE COURT: I don't know if you all have heard, but the
13 jury has indicated that they can go until 6:00 tonight. I'm
14 going to let them go 15 minutes before 6:00, and then tomorrow
15 they'll begin the deliberations at 8:30 and can go to 4:40 to
16 4:45. Thank you.

17 (Recess at 2:10 p.m. to 3:49 p.m.)

18 THE COURT: I understand that we have a verdict. I'm
19 going to ask Sarah to bring the jury in. Before we do that, in
20 the case that there is a guilty verdict for Defendant
21 Williamson, have we determined whether I need to send the jury
22 back for deliberation on the forfeiture?

23 MR. WOODFIN: Your Honor -- Judge, that's not going to
24 be necessary. On behalf of Mr. Williamson, we will not be
25 contesting the forfeiture of the truck and jewelry and

1 ammunition.

2 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Let's bring the jury in.

3 (Jury in at 3:50 p.m.)

4 THE COURT: Will the foreperson please stand? I
5 understand that you all have reached a verdict in this case.

6 JUROR: Yes, ma'am.

7 THE COURT: Are those verdicts unanimous?

8 JUROR: Yes, ma'am.

9 THE COURT: I'll ask you to hand the verdict form,
10 please, to the courtroom deputy. You may be seated.

11 (Brief pause.)

12 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I am now going to
13 publish your verdicts in this case. That means I'm going to
14 read them aloud. I would like for you to listen very carefully
15 because, at the end, I'm going to ask each of you if I have
16 read your verdict correctly.

17 Beginning with Count 2, the jury finds the defendant
18 Rolando Antuain Williamson guilty as charged in Count 2 of the
19 superseding indictment. They find that with respect to that
20 count, Defendant Williamson conspired to distribute or possess
21 with the intent to distribute the following controlled
22 substances in the amount shown: Heroin weighing 100 grams or
23 more, methamphetamine weighing 50 grams or more, and fentanyl
24 weighing 40 grams or more, and marijuana weighing 100 kilograms
25 or more.

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1 With respect to Count 2, Defendant Adrien Hiram Taylor,
2 the jury finds the defendant guilty as charged in Count 2 of
3 the superseding indictment. And with respect to that count
4 finds that he conspired to distribute or possess with the
5 intent to distribute methamphetamine weighing 50 grams or more,
6 and that he has previously been convicted of one serious drug
7 felony.

8 With respect to the defendant, Ishmywel Calid Gregory, he
9 is found guilty by the jury as charged in Count 2 of the
10 superseding indictment. The jury finds that with respect to
11 that count he conspired to distribute or possess with the
12 intent to distribute the following controlled substance in the
13 amount shown, cocaine weighing less than 500 grams. They also
14 find -- the jury also finds the defendant guilty of one serious
15 drug felony in Count 2. I'm sorry. One serious drug felony
16 prior to committing the act charged in Count 2. I misread that.
17 Forgive me, please. The jury finds that Mr. Gregory, having
18 found him guilty of the offense charged in Count 2, further
19 finds that Mr. Gregory committed this offense after he was
20 convicted of one serious drug felony.

21 With respect to Defendant Archie, the jury finds the
22 defendant guilty as charged in Count 2 of the superseding
23 indictment, and the jury finds with respect to that count that
24 he conspired to distribute or possess with the intent to
25 distribute 100 kilograms or more of marijuana.

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1 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Williamson, guilty
2 of Count 3 of the superseding indictment.

3 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Williamson, guilty
4 as charged in Count 1 of the indictment in 20-405.

5 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Antuain Williamson,
6 guilty as charged in Count 5 of the superseding indictment in
7 19-466. And with respect to that count, finds that he possessed
8 with the intent to distribute the following controlled
9 substances in the following amounts: Heroin weighing 100 grams
10 or more, methamphetamine weighing 500 grams or more, and
11 marijuana weighing less than 100 kilograms.

12 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Antuain Williamson,
13 guilty as charged in Count 6 of the superseding indictment.
14 With respect to that count, the jury finds that the defendant
15 conspired to distribute or possess with the intent to
16 distribute heroin weighing 100 grams or more, fentanyl weighing
17 40 grams or more, and marijuana weighing less than
18 100 kilograms.

19 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Williamson, guilty
20 as charged in Count 7 of the superseding indictment.

21 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Williamson, guilty
22 as charged in Count 8 of the superseding indictment.

23 The jury finds the defendant, Adrien Hiram Taylor, guilty
24 as charged in Count 11 of the superseding indictment. With
25 respect to that count, the jury finds that Defendant Taylor

1 conspired to distribute or possess with the intent to
2 distribute methamphetamine weighing 50 grams or more. And they
3 find that Mr. Taylor -- having found Mr. Taylor guilty of the
4 offense charged in Count 11 finds that the defendant committed
5 this offense after he was convicted of two serious drug
6 felonies.

7 Regarding Count 12, the jury finds the defendant, Adrien
8 Hiram Taylor, guilty as charged in Count 12 of the superseding
9 indictment. Having found the defendant guilty of that offense,
10 they further find with respect to that count that he conspired
11 to distribute or possess with the intent to distribute
12 methamphetamine weighing 5 grams or more, and that having found
13 Mr. Taylor guilty of the offense charged in Count 12 of the
14 superseding indictment, further finds that the defendant
15 committed this offense after he was convicted of one serious
16 drug felony.

17 The jury finds the defendant, Ishmywel Calid Gregory,
18 guilty as charged in Count 13 of the superseding indictment in
19 19-466.

20 The jury finds the defendant, Adrien Hiram Taylor, guilty
21 as charged in Count 20 of the superseding indictment in 19-466.

22 The jury finds the defendant, Adrien Taylor, guilty as
23 charged in Count 21 of the superseding indictment.

24 The jury finds the defendant, Adrien Hiram Taylor, guilty
25 as charged in Count 22 of the superseding indictment, again, in

1 19-466.

2 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Antuain Williamson,
3 guilty as charged in Count 34 of the superseding indictment in
4 19-466.

5 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Williamson, guilty
6 as charged in Count 35 of the superseding indictment in 19-466.

7 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Williamson, guilty
8 as charged in Count 39 of the superseding indictment in 19-466.

9 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Antuain Williamson,
10 guilty as charged in Count 40 of the superseding indictment in
11 19-466.

12 The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Antuain Williamson,
13 guilty as charged in Count 41 of the superseding indictment in
14 19-466.

15 The jury finds the defendant, Hendarius Lamar Archie,
16 guilty as charged in Count 1 of the indictment in 20-151.

17 And the jury finds the defendant, Hendarius Archie, guilty
18 as charged in Count 2 of the indictment in 20-151.

19 As I call your juror number, if you would please stand and
20 tell me if that is your verdict for each of these defendants in
21 each of these counts. Juror Number 1, is that your verdict as
22 to these defendants and each of these counts?

23 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Juror Number 2, is that your verdict as to
25 each of these defendants and each of these counts?

1 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Juror Number 3, is that your verdict as to
3 each of these defendants and each of these counts?

4 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Juror Number 4, is that your verdict as to
6 each of these defendants and each of these counts?

7 JUROR: Yes.

8 THE COURT: Juror Number 11, is that your verdict as to
9 each of these defendants and each of these counts?

10 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Juror Number 17, is that your verdict as to
12 each of these defendants and each of these counts?

13 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Juror Number 20, is that your verdict as to
15 each of these defendants and each of these counts?

16 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor. That's my verdict.

17 THE COURT: Juror number 24, is that your verdict as to
18 each of these defendants and each of these counts?

19 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Juror Number 31, is that your verdict as to
21 each of these defendants and each of those counts?

22 JUROR: Yes.

23 THE COURT: As to each of these counts?

24 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Juror Number 34, is that your verdict as to

1 each of these defendants as to each of these counts?

2 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: And finally, Juror Number 39, is that your
4 verdict as to each of these defendants and each of these
5 counts?

6 JUROR: Yes, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: Is there any objection from any of the
8 parties as to the reading of the verdict?

9 MR. CROSS: None from the United States, Your Honor.

10 MR. WOODFIN: Your Honor, I apologize, I know there
11 were a lot of counts. I'm not sure I heard on the first count
12 in the 466 indictment.

13 THE COURT: He was found guilty.

14 MR. WOODFIN: Yes, Your Honor. We have no other --

15 THE COURT: To the extent that I did not previously
16 read that, the jury finds the defendant, Rolando Williamson,
17 guilty as charged in Count 1 of the superseding indictment in
18 19-466.

19 MR. WOODFIN: Yes, Your Honor. We have no objection,
20 Judge.

21 MR. GARDNER: Nothing on behalf of Mr. Taylor, Your
22 Honor.

23 MR. ALBEA: Your Honor, I'd like to inspect the verdict
24 form.

25 THE COURT: You may.

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1 (Brief pause.)

2 MR. ALBEA: Thank you, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Thank you. Any objection?

4 MR. ALBEA: No, Your Honor.

5 MR. CROSS: No, Your Honor.

6 MS. WALLACE: None from Mr. Archie.

7 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, I'm going
8 to allow you to reconvene in the jury deliberation room for a
9 few minutes, and I'll see you back there when I've concluded in
10 here.

11 (Jury out at 4:06 p.m.)

12 THE COURT: Will the defendant, Rolando Antuain
13 Williamson, please stand? Mr. Williamson, the jury has found
14 you guilty of all counts in the superseding indictment pending
15 against you as well as Count 1 in 20-405. Having found you
16 guilty, I now adjudge you guilty of those offenses. You may be
17 seated.

18 Mr. Taylor, please stand. Mr. Taylor, the jury in this
19 case has unanimously found you guilty of all charges pending
20 against you in the superseding indictment in 19-466. Having
21 returned a unanimous verdict, I now adjudge you guilty of those
22 offenses. You may be seated.

23 Mr. Gregory, the jury has unanimously found you guilty of
24 all of the counts pending against you in the superseding
25 indictment in 19-466. Having unanimously determined your guilt,

1 I now adjudge you guilty of those offenses. You may be seated.

2 Mr. Archie, the jury has unanimously returned a verdict of
3 guilt on all counts pending against you in the superseding
4 indictment in 19-466 and in both counts in 20-151. Having
5 unanimously determined your guilt, I now adjudge you guilty of
6 those offenses.

7 At this point, Mr. Archie, I believe that we'll have to
8 send you back to the custody of the United States Marshal. I
9 understand that you were out on bond, but at this point, your
10 bond will be revoked, and you will be tendered to the custody
11 of the United States Marshals. I think the only remaining issue
12 to take up, at this point, is any post trial motions. I don't
13 know how long it will take to get the transcript in should
14 there be a motion that requires the transcript. To the extent
15 that you intend to file a motion that does not require the
16 transcript, please let the court know by week's end. Is there
17 any objection to a filing deadline, 30-days from receipt of the
18 transcript, and then the government's response within three
19 weeks of that? Any motions?

20 MR. CROSS: No objection from the United States.

21 MR. WOODFIN: No objection from Mr. Williamson as to
22 the deadlines, Judge.

23 MR. GARDNER: None here, Your Honor, for Mr. Taylor.

24 MR. ALBEA: None for Mr. Gregory.

25 MS. WALLACE: None from Mr. Archie.

1 THE COURT: Is there anything else that we need to
2 address at this time?

3 MR. CROSS: None from the United States, Your Honor.

4 MR. WOODFIN: Not for Mr. Williamson, Your Honor.

5 MR. GARDNER: Not for Mr. Taylor, Your Honor. Thank
6 you.

7 MR. ALBEA: Not from Mr. Gregory.

8 MS. WALLACE: Not from Mr. Archie.

9 THE COURT: I want to thank all of you, all of the
10 attorneys in this case. You have done an extraordinary job
11 representing the government and also these defendants.
12 Admittedly, my time on the bench has been much shorter than
13 some of the older colleagues that I am privileged to serve
14 with, but I will say, on the record, that the defendants have
15 enjoyed the best defense attorneys I have seen as far as trying
16 a case thus far. And it has been a privilege to work with you
17 in ensuring that their rights were preserved and protected
18 throughout the course of this trial.

19 MR. GARDNER: Thank you, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: With that, I will adjourn. I go speak to
21 the jury as a matter of practice. So I will do that. Thank you
22 all for your time.

23 (Proceedings were adjourned at 4:10 p.m.)

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I certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript from the record of proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

Dated: September 19, 2022



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