

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CRIMINAL MINUTES - GENERAL

Case No. 2:23-cr-00599-MCS-1 Date September 5, 2024

Present: The Honorable MARK C. SCARSI, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Interpreter N/A

Stephen Montes Kerr	CourtSmart and Myra Ponce	Leo J. Wise, DOJ and Derek E. Hines, DOJ
<i>Deputy Clerk</i>	<i>Court Reporter/Recorder</i>	<i>Assistant U.S. Attorney</i>

<u>U.S.A. v. Defendant(s):</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Cust.</u>	<u>Bond</u>	<u>Attorneys for Defendants:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>App.</u>	<u>Ret.</u>
Robert Hunter Biden	X		X	Abbe D. Lowell	X		X
				Angela M. Machala	X		X
				Mark G. Geragos	X		X
				Tina Glandian	X		X
				Setara Qassim	X		X

Proceedings: JURY TRIAL (Day 1 – Not Held) and CHANGE OF PLEA

Jury trial is not held. Instead, counsel address the Court on a possible Alford plea. For reasons stated on the record, the defendant elects to proceed with a straight change of plea to an Indictment.

Defendant is sworn.

Defendant enters a new and different plea of GUILTY to Counts 1-9.

The Court advises the defendant of his Constitutional rights and questions the defendant regarding the plea of GUILTY. The Court finds there is an independent factual basis for the plea and further finds the plea is made freely, intelligently, and voluntarily, and with a full understanding of the nature of the charges, the consequences of the plea and of defendant's Constitutional rights. The Court accepts the plea and orders that the plea be entered.

The Court refers the defendant to the Probation Office for investigation and a complete report and the matter is continued to **December 16, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.** for sentencing.

The Court vacates the jury trial date for this defendant.

The Court, with the concurrence of the Government, allows the defendant to remain on bond and advises of the consequences of a violation of terms and conditions or a failure to appear.

Jury panel is excused.

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