

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	:	
	:	
v.	:	<b>Case No. 21-cr-128 (RC)</b>
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<b>WILLIAM POPE,</b>	:	
	:	
<b>Defendant.</b>	:	

**JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE JULY 22, 2024 TRIAL**

The United States of America and the defendant, William Pope, jointly move to continue the trial in this matter, currently scheduled for July 22, 2024.

Today, the Supreme Court issued a decision in *United States v. Fischer*, No. 23-5572, holding that Title 18, United States Code, Section 1512(c)(2) does not cover “all means of obstructing, influencing, or impeding any official proceeding” and remanded the case to the D.C. Circuit for further proceedings. Both parties are evaluating the decision, which has ramifications for the charges, presentation of evidence, and jury instructions at the trial in this matter.

The parties therefore respectfully request that the July 22, 2024 trial date be converted to a status conference and that all upcoming pretrial deadlines be stayed. The defendant also requests that the status conference be conducted via videoconference; the government does not oppose this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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