

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

v.

**TELEPHONE MOTION HEARING re: [158]**  
**Plaintiff's Motion to Appoint Counsel**

**RUBEN ORTIZ, JR.**

Case No. 19-CR-151

HONORABLE WILLIAM C. GRIESBACH presiding  
Proceeding Held: September 1, 2020  
Deputy Clerk: Cheryl

Time Called: 1:32 p.m.  
Time Concluded: 1:42 p.m.  
Tape: 090120

**Appearances:**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA by:	William J. Roach
Ruben Ortiz, Jr. by telephone and by:	Heather Richmond represented by Ray Dall'Osto
FEDERAL DEFENDER SERVICES by:	Thomas E. Phillip
US PROBATION OFFICE by:	Brian Koehler
INTERPRETER: None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interpreter Sworn

Mr. Roach states that a motion hearing for a codefendant is currently set for Friday. The case is scheduled for trial on October 19. Mr. Ortiz is seeking to replace Ms. Richmond as counsel with court appointed counsel. Mr. Ortiz agrees that new counsel should be appointed to replace Ms. Richmond. The Court states that the government has alleged a conflict of interest for Ms. Richmond. Mr. Dall'Osto states that he has conferred with Ms. Richmond regarding the matter. Ms. Richmond does not oppose the motion if Mr. Ortiz is in agreement with the appointment of new counsel. Mr. Roach states that the trial may need to be adjourned after new counsel is appointed. Several defendants have indicated they will proceed to trial. The Court finds that the motion is unopposed and grants the motion to appoint counsel. The Court finds the defendant is eligible based on the financial affidavit from Pretrial Services. Federal Defender Services is directed to appoint counsel. The Court will address the trial date once counsel is appointed, if necessary.