UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN GREEN BAY DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

V.

BRYAN S. PETERSON,

Defendant.

MOTION TO SET DATE FOR CHANGE OF PLEA HEARING

Case No. 24-CR-57

Bryan S. Peterson, by counsel, hereby moves the Court to set a date for a change of plea hearing after June 3, 2024. In support, Peterson states the following:

- 1. Peterson is charged with two counts of distribution of child pornography in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(2)(A). Docket No. 1.
- 2. Peterson was arraigned on March 13, 2024 and pled not guilty to the indictment. Docket No. 3. The Court set the final pretrial conference for May 6, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. and trial for May 20, 2024. *Id.* Peterson was released on conditions to include the following: report to pretrial services as directed; travel restricted to the state of Wisconsin; do not possess a firearm or weapon; testing for drugs and alcohol; location monitoring with curfew as directed his pretrial services officer;

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location monitoring using radio frequency; no unsupervised contact with children under the age of 18; and no internet connected devices without prior approval of pretrial services officer. Docket No. 5. Peterson has been fully compliant with all conditions of release.

- 3. Peterson signed a plea agreement and counsel has forwarded it to the government. It should be filed with the court shortly. A few weeks ago, Peterson was hospitalized for close to one week with a serious, life-threatening infection as a result of blockages in his kidney. While they were able to treat the infection, Peterson's doctors have determined multiple surgeries are required. The surgeries are scheduled during the month of May. Peterson has a number of doctor visits he is required to attend to prepare for the surgeries in the upcoming days. With recovery, Peterson expects he will be in a better place with regards to his physical health. As this case involves a mandatory minimum 5 years in prison, Peterson is anxious to get his health in order prior to any term of incarceration. For these reasons, Peterson is requesting the Court set a date for a change of plea hearing after June 3, 2024, so he can focus on his health during the month of May and then move forward with resolution of his case thereafter.
- 4. Counsel has discussed this with Peterson and he is in full agreement with this request.

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5. Counsel has also discussed this matter with Assistant United States Attorney Daniel Humble and he has no objection to this request.

WHEREFORE, counsel for Peterson respectfully requests the Court set a date for a change of plea hearing after June 3, 2024.

Dated at Green Bay, Wisconsin, this 30th day of April, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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