

STATE OF MARYLAND

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**IN THE
CIRCUIT COURT
FOR BALTIMORE CITY**

v.

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**CAESAR GOODSON,
EDWARD NERO,
GARRETT MILLER,
BRIAN RICE,
ALICIA WHITE,
WILLIAM PORTER**

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Case No.: 115141032

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Case No.: 115141033

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Case No.: 115141034

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Case No.: 115141035

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Case No.: 115141036

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Case No.: 115141037

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SECURITY/MEDIA PROTOCOL ORDER

Hearings on pre-trial motions in these cases are scheduled to occur on September 2 and September 10, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. The following order is entered to preserve the security and dignity of the Court and to accommodate the interests of the public and the media to the greatest extent possible, while causing minimal disruption to the Circuit Court and the surrounding community. It applies to the pre-trial motions hearings scheduled in the above-captioned cases.

Accordingly, it is, this 26th day of August, 2015, by the Circuit Court for Baltimore City,

ORDERED, as follows:

1. Hearings on motions will be conducted in Courtroom 234, Courthouse East, 111 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. The presiding judge will be Judge Barry Williams.
2. Ms. Terri Charles, Deputy Director, Office of Communications and Public Affairs, State of Maryland Judiciary, telephone no. 410-260-1486, cell no. 443-995-9263, email address: terri.charles@mdcourts.gov, is designated as the Court's media liaison for purposes of this Order. In her absence, Ms. Angelita Plemmer Williams,

Director, Office of Communications and Public Affairs, telephone no. 410-260-1564, cell no. 410-562-3620, email address: angelita.williams@mdcourts.gov, will act as the media liaison. All media inquiries must be directed to the media liaison.

3. John Anderson, the Sheriff for Baltimore City, is responsible for maintaining security in and around the Circuit Court buildings. All persons must comply with the Sheriff's instructions concerning security measures in these buildings. References to the Sheriff herein include his deputies and assistants. Maj. Sabrina Tapp-Harper, telephone no. 410-396-7201, e-mail address: Sabrina.Harper@baltimorecity.gov, shall serve as the Sheriff's media liaison.
4. All persons entering the Courthouse must: adhere to security procedures as directed by the Sheriff; pass through electronic security devices; and submit their equipment and belongings to search procedures conducted by the Sheriff's deputies. In order to expedite entry, all persons are requested to refrain from bringing backpacks or extra bags into the Courthouse.
5. No audio or video recording or transmitting equipment, including cameras, shall be permitted inside the Courthouse, except as provided in this Order.
6. All electronic devices, including cell phones, laptops, and tablets, must be turned off inside Courtroom 234, unless express permission is given by Judge Williams. No cell phones may be used in the public areas on the second floor of Courthouse East while proceedings are being conducted on the dates of the hearings. Sheriff's deputies may inspect an electronic device and if necessary, confiscate the device if

it appears to be in use in violation of this order. Sheriff's deputies and other court personnel are not liable for any damage to or loss of electronic devices confiscated pursuant to this Order.

7. Sheriff's deputies will control visitor movement on the second floor of Courthouse East on the days of the hearings, including any waiting areas for admission to Courtroom 234. No person shall be permitted to loiter in the second floor corridor. No person shall be permitted to sit on the ledges in the second floor corridor.
8. Seating will be made available in the gallery of Courtroom 234 based on the courtroom capacity as determined by the court. A portion of these seats will be set aside for members of the media and will be allocated on a first-come/first-served basis. Each media outlet will be allotted one seat. Members of the media may indicate their desire for a seat by emailing the Office of Communications and Public Affairs at communications@mdcourts.gov. That Office will allocate seats based on requests received, and will communicate to the Sheriff's Office the names of media members allotted seats reserved for media. Members of the media should arrive at 8:00 a.m. on the dates of the hearings.
9. The remaining seats will be made available to members of the public on a first-come/first-served basis. The Sheriff will establish procedures to govern orderly entry to the Courthouse and to the courtroom and exit therefrom.
10. No food or drink is permitted in any courtroom. Smoking is not allowed anywhere in the Courthouse. Persons who leave the courtroom during proceedings will not

be readmitted until the next recess.

11. Members of the Circuit Court staff shall not be photographed or interviewed regarding this case.
12. A designated room in Courthouse East (Room 235) will be set aside for use by the media on the dates of the hearings. Use of electronic devices will be permitted in this room.
13. No media conferences or interviews with attorneys, parties, or witnesses shall be conducted in the Courthouse or at the front entrance of the Courthouse. An area where media interviews may be held will be made available outside the Mitchell Courthouse on the northwest corner of the intersection of Fayette and Calvert Streets. Members of the media, or any other person, may not impede foot traffic on the sidewalks in front of Courthouse East or obstruct access to the Courthouse. Parking restrictions will be strictly enforced.
14. The Sheriff's deputies are authorized to enforce compliance with this Order and are empowered to remove any person who fails to comply with its terms. Violations of this Order will subject the violator to a revocation of all media privileges, to exclusion from the Courthouse, and, if appropriate, to the contempt powers of the Court.
15. This Order is subject to modification by the Court at any time.

 /s/
W. Michel Pierson
Administrative Judge