

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

CR2019-001522-001 DT

08/18/2020

HONORABLE KATHERINE COOPER

CLERK OF THE COURT
J. Encizo
Deputy

STATE OF ARIZONA

FRANKIE LYNN GRIMSMAN

v.

MELISSA SUZANNE DIEGEL (001)

ZACHARY DANIEL SLOMAN
JAMIE A. BALSON

JUDGE COOPER
JUDGE STARR

TRIAL CONTINUANCE PAST LAST DAY

11:38 a.m.

Courtroom SCT 7D

State's Attorney: Frankie Lynn Grimsman and Tracey Gleason (Appearing Virtually)
Victim's Attorney: Jamie Balson (Appearing Virtually)
Defendant's Attorney: Zachary Daniel Sloman and Miranda Stark (Appearing Virtually)
Defendant: Present (Appearing Virtually)

Court Reporter, Monica Hill-Morrisette, is present.

A record of the proceedings is also made digitally.

This is the time set for Status Conference and Complex Case Management Conference.

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Discussion is held regarding progress made in this matter, including a plea offer extended and Defense counsel anticipating setting up DCS interviews in October.

Court and counsel discuss a realistic trial date based upon the remaining discovery to be reviewed and witness interviews to be conducted, to which the Defendant objects to any further continuances and waiving time.

Having considered the Motion to Continue by counsel for the Defense, the Court finds,

1. The nonmoving party or parties: Stipulate
2. The Arraignment date was: No Information Provided.
3. The Original last day was: No Information Provided.
4. The existing date of the trial when the motion was filed: 09/21/2020.
5. The number of continuances granted before this continuance was: No Information Provided.
6. The motion was: In writing.
7. The motion was filed at least 5 days before trial: Yes.
8. If filed untimely, the motion sets forth with specificity the reasons for its untimeliness: Does Not Apply.

The Court finds that delay is indispensable to the interests of justice and that the following extraordinary circumstance(s) exist warranting the continuance:

To allow Defense counsel to review the remaining discovery and conduct witness interviews.

The Defendant waived applicable time limits: No.

IT IS ORDERED vacating the current trial setting of 09/21/2020 and resetting same to 01/19/2021 at 11:00 a.m. before the Master Calendar Assignment Judge. The Trial Assignment hearing will be a GoToMeeting videoconference. The purpose of the hearing is to set future dates for (1) the Trial Procedure Conference, (2) the Trial Status Conference, and (3) the Firm Trial Date.

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The Court waives the presence of any defendant represented by an attorney at the Trial Assignment hearing. Self-represented litigants shall appear by videoconference following the directions below. If a self-represented litigant is in custody at the time of the Final Trial Management Conference (FTMC), this division will notify the Assignment Judge's division so that a jail tablet hearing can be scheduled for the defendant to appear by videoconference from the jail.

Participants join the Trial Assignment hearing by using the GoToMeeting app and entering Meeting ID 736-954-261 or following this link <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/736954261>. A participant can also join by telephone by dialing (571) 317-3122 and entering Access Code 736-954-261. Counsel of record are ordered to appear via videoconference with their webcams enabled. If you have any questions about how to connect, please contact the Assignment Judge's division staff at 602-372-1011.

IT IS ORDERED resetting the Final Trial Management Conference (FTMC) set on 09/14/2020 to 01/05/2021 at 8:30 a.m. before Judge Cooper.

THE FINAL TRIAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE IS A TIME CERTAIN APPEARANCE HEARING.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED setting Complex Case Management Conference on 09/14/2020 at 8:30 a.m. (**TIME CERTAIN**) before Judge Cooper.

JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

No less than two working days before each Case Management Conference, the parties shall file a Joint Case Management Report. This report will inform the Court of:

1. The specific progress made since the last Case Management Conference in completing activities previously established by the Court and the parties;
2. Specific case preparation to be completed before the next Case Management Conference;
3. Witnesses who have been interviewed in the preceding month;
4. Witnesses who will be interviewed in the upcoming month;
5. Pending issues to be resolved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED excluding all time from 09/21/2020 through 01/19/2021 (120 days). NEW LAST DAY: 04/14/2021.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED affirming prior release orders.

11:51 a.m. Matter concludes.

Due to the spread of COVID-19, the Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order 2020-79 requires all individuals entering a court facility to wear a mask or face covering at all times they are in the court facility. With limited exceptions, the court will not provide masks or face coverings. Therefore, any individual attempting to enter the court facility must have an appropriate mask or face covering to be allowed entry to the court facility. Any person who refuses to wear a mask or face covering as directed will be denied entrance to the court facility or asked to leave. In addition, all individuals entering a court facility will be subject to a health screening protocol. Any person who does not pass the health screening protocol will be denied entrance to the court facility.