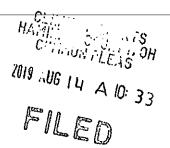
## THE STATE OF OHIO, HAMILTON COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CRIMINAL DIVISION



STATE OF OHIO

Case No. B-1902543

Plaintiff

(Judge Melba Marsh)

vs.

SAMUEL LITTLE

Defendant



MOTION TO ARRAIGN,
ACCEPT GUILTY PLEA, AND
SENTENCE DEFENDANT VIA
REMOTE
CONTEMPORANEOUS VIDEO

Now comes the undersigned Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney who states to the Court that an Indictment charging the Defendant with the commission of a felony is now pending.

Plaintiff states that the defendant is currently serving multiple life without parole sentences in the California State Prison, Los Angeles County. He is 80 years old, and his health does not permit him to travel back to Ohio to face this felony indictment. He has previously told the undersigned that he was willing to plead guilty to the charge of murder contained in this indictment from his current place of incarceration, and has told his defense attorney Tim McKenna the same thing.

Plaintiff further states that he has made arrangements with the California State Prison, Los Angeles County, for the parties to travel to said prison on Friday August 23,

2019 at 1200 EST, (0900 PST) for the arraignment, plea and sentencing to occur. He has also made arrangements for the use of the Skype equipment in the Hamilton County Law Library at that time for the Court to conduct said plea, and a test run has been made of this equipment to confirm the equipment between the two facilities is compatible.

Ohio Criminal Rule of Procedure 43 allows for such a remote proceeding if all of the following apply:

- 1. The Court gives appropriate notice to all parties;
- 2. The video arrangements allow the defendant to see and hear the proceedings;
- 3. The video arrangements allow the defendant to speak, and to be seen and heard by the court and all parties;
- 4. The Court makes provisions to allow for private communication between the defendant and counsel;
- 5. The proceeding may involve sworn testimony that is subject to cross examination, if counsel is present, participates and consents;
- 6. The defendant may waive, in writing or on the record, the defendant's right to be physically present under these rules with leave of court.

The undersigned confirms that all of the above have been or will be complete by the time the proceedings take place on August 23, 2019.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned moves the Court for an Order authorizing the arraignment, guilty plea, and sentence of Samuel Little, from his remote location in the California State Prison, Los Angeles County, on August 23, 2019, in accordance with the statutes and law of the State of Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 7th day of August, 2019, a copy of this document was served by electronic delivery to counsel for defendant Tim McKenna.

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Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney