

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. William J. Martini
v. : Crim. No. 20-954
SUDHAN M. THOMAS and : **ORDER FOR CONTINUANCE**
PAUL H. APPEL

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Philip R. Sellinger, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Katherine J. Calle, Assistant U.S. Attorney), and defendant Sudhan M. Thomas (Rahul Sharma, Esq., appearing), for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter from the date this Order is signed through November 30, 2022, to permit defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation in this matter; and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have this matter brought to trial within 70 days of the date of his appearance before a judicial officer of this Court pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(c)(1); and the defendant having consented to such continuance and having waived such right; and six prior continuances having been entered; and the case having been further continued pursuant to the Court's Standing Orders 20-12, 21-04, and 21-11 (COVID-19); and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

(1) The discovery in this matter involves numerous documents and materials that defense counsel requires adequate time to review;

(2) The grant of a continuance order will ensure that, taking into account the exercise of due diligence, defense counsel has sufficient time to review and inspect discovery and further investigate the charges in this matter;

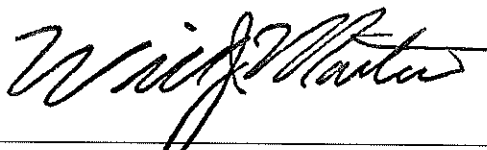
(3) The failure to grant a continuance would deny counsel for the defendant the reasonable time necessary to effectively prepare for trial, taking into account the exercise of due diligence; and

(4) As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(7), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

IT IS, therefore, on this 29th day of August, 2022,

ORDERED that this action be, and hereby is, continued until November 30, 2022, and it is further

ORDERED that the period from the date of this order through November 30, 2022 shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974.



HONORABLE WILLIAM J. MARTINI
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Form and entry consented to:



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