

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
WESTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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 Plaintiff,)
)
 v.) Case No. 08-00297-02,14-CR-W-FJG
)
 JEROME SHADE HOWARD, and)
 GERALD D. WILLIAMS,)
)
 Defendants.)

ORDER

The following motions are pending before the Court:

1. Motion of Defendant Jerome S. Howard to Declare Case Extended and Complex (doc #79); and
2. Motion of Defendant Gerald D. Williams to Declare Case Extended and Complex (doc #114).

In support of these motions, defense counsel advise that the indictment charges seventeen defendants in thirty-four counts and that the government has produced more than sixty thousand pages of discovery. Counsel advise that they expect to expend a substantial amount of time reviewing discovery materials, investigating facts and researching legal issues. Given the number of defendants and volume of discovery, this case will most likely involve significantly more attorney time than the average federal criminal case. The case is currently set on the joint criminal jury trial docket commencing August 24, 2009.

Given the complex and extended nature of this case, it is

ORDERED that the Motion of Defendant Jerome S. Howard to Declare Case Extended and Complex (doc #79) and the Motion of Defendant Gerald D. Williams to Declare Case Extended and

Complex (doc #114) are granted. This case is declared complex and extended pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(3). Counsel for defendants Jerome Howard and Gerald Williams are authorized to submit requests for interim payment for legal services and expenses.

/s/ Sarah W. Hays

SARAH W. HAYS
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE