

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Case No. 4:08-CR-00297-02/09, 10, 13, 16, 17-FJG

JEROME SHADE HOWARD (02)
RONALD E BROWN (03)
STEFAN M GUERRA (04)
CYNTHIA D JORDAN (05)
JAMES F SIMPSON (06)
STEVEN M SALAS (07)
MICHAEL CONRAD SMITH (08)
ANAHIT NSHANIAN (09)
CHERYL ANN ROMERO (10)
DARYLE A EDWARDS (13)
LEON T JONES (16)
WILLIE CHARLES CADENHEAD (17)

Defense Atty. (02): Ron Partee
Defense Atty. (03): Jeff Morris by Jeremy Weiss
Defense Atty. (04): Dan Herrington
Defense Atty. (05): Charles Eblen
Defense Atty. (06): Mike Joyce
Defense Atty. (07): Roger Rosen - Not present

AUSA: Linda Parker Marshall
Defense Atty. (08): Melanie Morgan
Defense Atty. (09): Greg Emerson
Defense Atty. (10): Gary W. Hart
Defense Atty. (13): Brian Gaddy
Defense Atty. (16): Jean Paul Bradshaw
Defense Atty.(17): Larry Pace by Ronna Holloman-Hughes

JUDGE	Sarah W. Hays United States Magistrate Judge	DATE AND TIME	November 13, 2008 10:00 - 11:03 a.m.
DEPUTY CLERK	Joella Baldwin	TAPE/REPORTER	FTR - J. Baldwin
INTERPRETER		PRETRIAL/PROB:	Tim Hair, Van Hecke, Dana Chance, Nick Zyck, Penney Hodges, Susan Pinkerton

CLERK'S MINUTES

FIRST APPEARANCE INDICTMENT AND ARRAIGNMENT

() Custody assumed () Voluntarily Surrendered () Complaint No.

Date: 11/13/2008

Place: Kansas City, MO

Defendants advised:

1. Of the charges;
2. That he/she is not required to make any statement and that any statement made by him/her may be used against him/her in Court;
3. Of his/her right to retain counsel and to request assignment of counsel if he/she is unable to obtain counsel; and
4. Of his/her right to bail or, if no bail is set, to a detention hearing to determine if he/she is a flight risk or a danger to persons or the community.

BAIL

- (X) Personal Recognizance Bonds Set as to the following defendants: Guerra (04), Salas (07), Nshanian (09), Romero (10), Edwards (13), Jones (16).
- (X) \$10,000 Signature Bonds set as to the following defendants: Howard (02), Brown (03), Simpson (06) and Smith (08).
- (X) Defendants advised of the conditions of release
- () Defendants remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshal until conditions of bond are met.
- (X) Bond & conditions of release continue as to defendants Jordan (05) as set out on 11/5/2008 and Cadenhead (17) as set out on 10/29/2008.

COUNSEL

- (X) On 11/13/2008, the following defendants were sworn and examined as to his/her financial ability to employ counsel and information recorded on Affidavit of Financial Status.

The following counsel were appointed:

Defendant Howard (02): Ron Partee, CJA
Defendant Brown (03): Jeff Morris, CJA
Defendant Smith (08): Melanie Morgan, CJA

- (X) Defendant Salas (07) advised that he has retained counsel. Court advised that an arraignment will be set in the near future and local counsel will be needed.

ARRAIGNMENT

- (X) Defendant Howard (02):charged in Count(s) 1-5, 9, 11-14, 17-19, 22, 24-30 and forfeiture allegation of a 34 Count indictment
- Defendant Brown (03):charged in Count(s) 1-4 of a 34 Count indictment
- Defendant Guerra (04):charged in Count(s) 1, 4, 6, 8, 9, 15, 16, 18-22 & 24 of a 34 Count indictment
- Defendant Jordan (05):charged in Count(s) 1, 10, 11, 17, & 26 of a 34 Count indictment
- Defendant Simpson (06):charged in Count(s) 1, 10, 20, 21, 23, 33 of a 34 Count indictment
- Defendant Smith (08):charged in Count(s) 1, 9, & 19 of a 34 Count indictment
- Defendant Nshanian (09):charged in Count(s) 1, 24 & 25 of a 34 Count indictment
- Defendant Romero (10):charged in Count(s) 1, 11, & 22 of a 34 Count indictment

Defendant Edwards (13):charged in Count(s) 1 & 5 of a 34 Count indictment
Defendant Jones (16):charged in Count(s) 1 & 15 of a 34 Count indictment
Defendant Cadenhead (17):charged in Count(s) 1 & 16 of a 34 Count indictment

- Defendant waived reading of the indictment.
- The count(s) of the indictment applicable to each defendant was read to the defendants.
- Defendants were informed of the maximum punishment for each applicable count of the indictment.
- Defendants entered a plea of not guilty to each count of the indictment applicable to him/her.

ORDERS

- Defendants ordered committed back to custody of U.S. Marshal.
- Defendant ordered released on a continuing bail bond.
- Case ordered set for trial on the joint criminal jury trial docket which commences
- Scheduling conference will be set at a later date.

Defendant Salas (07) advised that he has retained counsel. Court advised that an arraignment will be set in the near future and local counsel will be needed.