

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
ST. JOSEPH DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	No. 12-06001-10-CR-SJ-GAF
)	
ELDER ENRIQUE ORDONEZ-CHANAS,)	
a/k/a “Flaco”)	
)	
Defendant.)	

**MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS
COUNSEL OF RECORD**

Pursuant to Rule 83.5(o) of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, the undersigned attorney hereby requests the Court that counsel, Steven A. Hays, currently listed as counsel of record for Defendant, Elder Enrique Ordonez-Chanas, a/k/a “Flaco” wishes to withdraw as counsel for Defendant, Elder Enrique Ordonez-Chanas, a/k/a “Flaco” in this case for the following reasons:

1. Counsel, Steven A. Hays, has provided Mr. Ordonez-Chanas, with substantial legal representation in attempts to protect his interest in the above styled action.
2. That subsequent to an August 11, 2012 meeting with Mr. Ordonez-Chanas, wherein a plea offer was discussed and ultimately signed, Mr. Ordonez-Chanas, abruptly contacted his counsel and stated that the offer was not to be forwarded and that it was his desire to terminate counsel, Steven A. Hays, as his attorney of record.
3. That on September 28, 2012, counsel, Steven A. Hays, met again with Mr. Ordonez-Chanas, to discuss issues that Mr. Ordonez-Chanas has with his counsel, Steven A. Hays,

in an attempt to resolve said issues, a recently filed Superseding Indictment and court hearing scheduled for October 4, 2012.

4. That subsequent to the September 28, 2012, meeting with Mr. Ordonez-Chanas, defendant again stated his adamant desire to obtain alternative counsel.

5. That counsel, Steven A. Hays, is of the opinion that the relationship between defendant, Elder Enrique Ordonez-Chanas, a/k/a “Flaco” and his counsel has deteriorated and is such that Mr. Ordonez-Chanas’ counsel should be allowed to withdraw in the interest of justice and further proceedings within this Court.

For these reasons counsel, Steven A. Hays, respectfully request this Court to enter an Order: (a) allowing for him to withdraw as counsel for defendant, Elder Enrique Ordonez-Chanas, a/k/a “Flaco”; (b) relieving counsel, Steven A. Hays, of further obligations on behalf of defendant, Elder Enrique Ordonez-Chanas, a/k/a “Flaco”; (c) providing defendant, Elder Enrique Ordonez-Chanas, a/k/a “Flaco” fourteen (14) days to retain successor counsel and (d) for such other relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of October, 2012.

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