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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

VS.

Case No. 10-00320-16-CR-W-DGK

FRANK ALVAREZ, Defendant.

## ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

COMES NOW Dana M. Altieri, and hereby enters her appearance for Defendant Frank Alvarez in this matter, and further states to the court as follows:

1. On April 20, 2011, Mr. Alvarez filed a pro se Motion to Remove Counsel. The Motion was not based upon any dissatisfaction, or lack of communication between the undersigned and Mr. Alvarez, but Mr. Alvarez simply wanted to represent himself.

2. Two hearings were held (April 28, 2011 and May 3, 2011) regarding Mr. Alvarez's desire to represent himself. On May 4, 2011, this court granted Mr. Alvarez's Motion and the undersigned was then designated as stand-by counsel. Since May 5, 2011, Mr. Alvarez has filed numerous pleadings and notices, and has been unsuccessful with those Motions.

3. Counsel and Mr. Alvarez met again recently and Mr. Alvarez expressed a desire for the undersigned to re-enter the cause as his attorney of record, and not just as stand-by counsel. Counsel asked Mr. Alvarez to think about his decision for a few days, which he did. Mr. Alvarez is still steadfast in his decision that he no longer wishes to represent himself and wants the undersigned to represent him.

4. Mr. Alvarez also wished to express his apologies to this Court and the

United States for any inconvenience he may have caused by filing his pro se Motions.

The undersigned expressed to Mr. Alvarez she would advance this apology on his

behalf through this Motion.

WHEREFORE the undersigned is Entering an Appearance as counsel for Mr.

Alvarez and requests this Entry be granted or a hearing be set to explore the same.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ DANA M. ALTIERI

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## CERTIFICATE REGARDING SERVICE

I hereby certify that it is my belief and understanding that counsel for plaintiff, and counsel for any co-defendants in this matter are participants in the Court's CM/ECF program and that separate service of the foregoing document is not required beyond the Notification of Electronic Filing to be forwarded on December 27, 2011 upon the filing of the foregoing document.

/s/ Dana M. Altieri

DANA M. ALTIERI