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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) Case No. 4:08-CR-00297-14-FJG
ANGELA R. CLARK, et al.,))
Defendants.)

WAIVER OF APPEARANCE AT ARRAIGNMENT BY DEFENDANT GERALD D. WILLIAMS

The undersigned Defendant, Gerald D. Williams, hereby requests that the Court allow him to waive his appearance at arraignment in the captioned case. Through his signature below, Mr. Williams affirms that he has received a copy of the Indictment, that he has read the Indictment and that he desires to plead not guilty to the charges against him within the Indictment. Mr. Williams understands that he has the right to appear personally at the arraignment, but he waives that right. Mr. Williams requests that the Court accept this waiver and allow counsel to appear at the arraignment on his behalf and to enter a plea of not guilty.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify the foregoing was filed electronically with the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri with notice of case activity generated and sent electronically on this 10th day of December, 2008, to:

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