

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)

Plaintiff,)

v.)

Case No. 11-00223-09-CR-W-ODS

MARK J. MURRAY,)

Defendant.)

DEFENDANT MARK J. MURRAY’S MOTION FOR CHANGE OF VENUE

COMES NOW Mark. J. Murray, through undersigned counsel, and respectfully moves this Honorable Court, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3237(b) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 21(b), to transfer venue to the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama. As set forth more fully in the attached memorandum of law for the following reasons:

1. Mr. Murray is a resident of Newton, Alabama and so resided for the entire period of time encompassed in the indictment;
2. As set forth in the indictment, Mr. Murray was in contact only with Defendant Billy Ray Hall and any and all alleged contact with Mr. Hall occurred in the State of Alabama. Mr. Murray never traveled to Missouri to meet with any of the other Defendants in this matter nor did any such meetings occur elsewhere.

WHEREFORE, Defendant, Mark J. Murray respectfully moves this Court to transfer venue of this prosecution to the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the 21st day of October, 2011, the foregoing was electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which sent notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

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