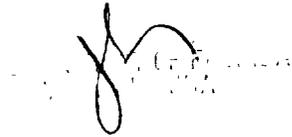


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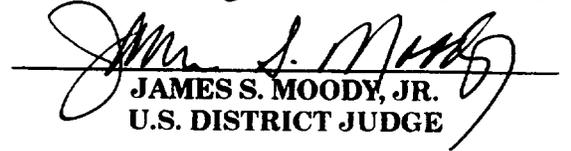
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v.

This motion/petition/stipulation has been duly considered and is hereby granted this 11 day of Dec., 2003.

SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN, et al.,

Defendants.



JAMES S. MOODY, JR.
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

COMES NOW, the Accused, SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN, by and through undersigned counsel, and, pursuant to Local Rule 3.09, respectfully moves this Honorable Court for the entry of an Order continuing the scheduled oral argument on all pending Motions to Dismiss from December 23, 2003 to a future date approximately four weeks later. In support of the foregoing, counsel state as follows:

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1. Both counsel for Dr. Al-Arian formally noticed their appearance on his behalf on October 29, 2003. Over the past five weeks, counsel have focused on getting up to speed with the facts and the law of this unusually dense and complex case.
2. Last week, counsel received from Dr. Al-Arian his copy of the Government's response to his *pro se* Motion to Dismiss. We have not had sufficient time to research the government's response. As such, we respectfully request adequate time to prepare a formal Reply in advance of oral argument on the motion.

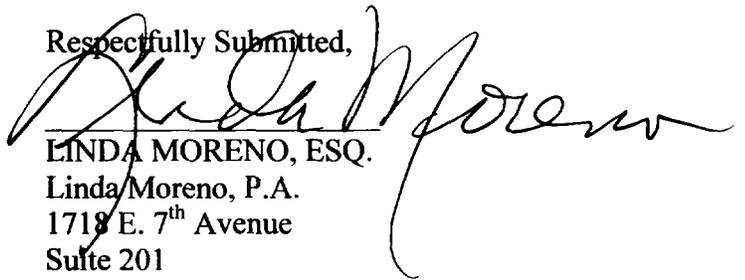
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3. Prior to entering the case, both Mr. Moffitt and Ms. Moreno made special family plans for the holiday season that conflict with the December 23, 2003 hearing. Ms. Moreno planned a family vacation to New Mexico from 12/17/03 through 12/24/03. Mr. Moffitt's 85-year-old mother and 90-year-old aunt will arrive at Mr. Moffitt's home in Virginia on December 22, 2003 and will be staying through the holidays. Due to their respective ages, the lack of any other family in the area, and their inability to get around alone, it would be inappropriate to leave them alone in unfamiliar surroundings.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, we respectfully request that the Court continue the previously scheduled Oral Argument from December 23rd, 2003 to a date approximately four weeks later to allow counsel adequate time to prepare a formal Reply Brief and to prepare for oral argument.

Respectfully Submitted,



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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been
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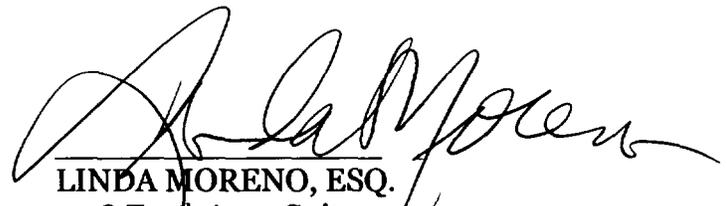
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