DEPUTY CLERK: CASE NUMBER 1:19-CR-3, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA VS. AJANI JOHN STEVENS. WE'RE HERE THIS MORNING FOR A SENTENCING HEARING VIA VIDEO.

PROSECUTOR: LEIGH ANN DYCUS FOR THE UNITED STATES,
YOUR HONOR.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: GOOD MORNING, SIR. LAURA WYROSDICK
ON BEHALF OF AJANI STEVENS, WHO'S PRESENT VIA VIDEO LINK FROM
GRAYSON COUNTY JAIL.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. AND, MR. STEVENS, CAN YOU SEE ME AND HEAR ME OKAY?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. I DO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT -I CAN SEE WE'VE GOT SEVERAL FAMILY MEMBERS THAT ARE TUNED IN, I
GUESS, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR MICROPHONES ARE MUTED.
SO PLEASE BE SURE THAT --

DEPUTY CLERK: RANDY HAS THEM MUTED.

THE COURT: OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THEN THANK YOU, RANDY.

ALL RIGHT. THE COURT REPORTER, ARE YOU HEARING EVERYTHING OKAY?

THE REPORTER: YES, SIR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. I'LL APOLOGIZE TO EVERYONE.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE DONE ONE OF THESE -- DONE ANY KIND

OF HEARING REMOTELY, SO IT'S A LITTLE DIFFERENT. THE ONES THAT

I'VE WITNESSED, THERE'S JUST BEEN ONE PERSON ON THE SCREEN

AND -- BUT, ANYWAY, I CAN SEE ALL OF YOU -- ALL OF YOU FINE.

WE ARE PROCEEDING THIS MORNING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE PURSUANT TO THE CARES ACT, WHICH WAS A RECENT FEDERAL RELIEF LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE PASSED BY CONGRESS AND SIGNED INTO LAW BY THE PRESIDENT, WHICH AUTHORIZES THIS TYPE OF HEARING. WE'RE PROCEEDING TODAY ON THIS SCHEDULE BECAUSE THE PARTIES HAVE REQUESTED TO PROCEED IN THIS MANNER.

MS. WYROSDICK, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD TO THE COURT'S FINDING REGARDING THE NECESSITY OF THE VIDEO HEARING?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: YOUR HONOR, ONLY THAT I'VE SPOKEN TO MR. AJANI STEVENS, AND HE HAS NOT ONLY GIVEN HIS PERMISSION TO HAVE HIS SENTENCING THIS WAY, BUT HE HAS ASKED FOR IT TO BE DONE THIS WAY.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. YES. AND THAT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING, THAT MR. STEVENS DID WANT TO PROCEED THROUGH A VIDEOCONFERENCE.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: IS THAT RIGHT, SIR, MR. STEVENS?

THE COURT: I'M GETTING READY TO ASK HIM,

MS. WYROSDICK, YES.

MR. STEVENS, HAVE YOU HAD ENOUGH TIME TO TALK ABOUT YOUR CASE WITH MS. WYROSDICK AND HOW TO PROCEED?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: AND DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO PUT THIS SENTENCING OFF FOR ANOTHER MONTH IN ORDER FOR THE COURT TO CONDUCT AN IN-PERSON HEARING AT THE COURTHOUSE HERE

IN BOWLING GREEN?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: AND DO YOU CONSENT TO PROCEEDING WITH YOUR SENTENCING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE TODAY?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MS. WYROSDICK, HAVE YOU AND MR. STEVENS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED THE PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORT, INCLUDING ANY REVOCATIONS TO THAT REPORT?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: YES, SIR.

THE COURT: AND ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE REPORT BY THE DEFENDANT?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: NO, SIR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. ANY OBJECTIONS BY THE UNITED STATES?

PROSECUTOR: NO, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: VERY WELL.

THE COURT FINDS THE PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORT IS ACCURATE. THE TOTAL OFFENSE LEVEL IN THIS CASE IS 17 WITH A CRIMINAL HISTORY CATEGORY OF IV.

IS THERE AN OBJECTION TO THAT SPECIFIC FINDING ON BEHALF OF THE U.S.?

PROSECUTOR: NO, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: ON BEHALF OF THE DEFENDANT?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: NO, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MS. WYROSDICK, IS THERE

DRAFT - FOR REFERENCE ONLY - NOT TO BE OUOTED FROM

ANYTHING FURTHER YOU'D LIKE TO BRING TO THE COURT'S ATTENTION,

AND DOES MR. STEVENS WISH TO MAKE A STATEMENT THIS MORNING?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: YES, YOUR HONOR.

FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK ALL THE PERSONNEL THAT

AGREED TO DO THIS VIA VIDEO LINKUP SO THAT MR. STEVENS COULD DO

THIS EARLY AND THAT HIS FAMILY COULD ALL BE PRESENT IN THESE

TIMES WHERE WE CAN'T TRAVEL.

I FILED A SENTENCING MEMORANDUM. IN THAT SENTENCING
MEMORANDUM, I POINTED OUT THAT WE HAD AGREED TO A LOW-END
GUIDELINE SENTENCE WITH THE UNITED STATES AND WAIVED THE RIGHT
TO ASK FOR ANYTHING LESS. I POINTED OUT THAT MR. STEVENS IS
TRYING VERY HARD TO CHANGE HIS LIFE. HIS LAST FELONY BEFORE
THIS WAS SOME TIME AGO, AND HE IS TRYING TO MAKE A GO OF IT AS
AN ENTREPRENEUR IN THE HEALTH AND FITNESS ARENA.

THERE ARE SEVERAL PEOPLE HERE THAT WOULD LIKE TO TALK ON BEHALF OF MR. STEVENS. AND ALSO -- AGAIN, I APOLOGIZE FOR THE LATE NOTICE. I WAS LOOKING THROUGH THE FILE AND DIDN'T REALIZE WHETHER OR NOT HIS LETTERS HAD BEEN ACTUALLY FILED. I DIDN'T HAVE ANY WAY OF TELLING FROM HOME, SO I WENT IN THIS MORNING AND SCANNED THEM TO THE COURT, AND THE COURT SHOULD HAVE THEM AS WELL.

IN ADDITION --

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: -- TO WITNESSES, OF COURSE,
MR. STEVENS WOULD LIKE TO ALLOCUTE.

THE COURT: OKAY. AND I'VE GOT THE LETTERS FROM

VANESSA HARRIS, OLGA ROME, I BELIEVE MR. STEVENS'S SISTER, TWO

NIECES, AND MOTHER, I BELIEVE. BUT I READ ALL THOSE THIS

MORNING.

SO WERE THERE ANY OTHER LETTERS BESIDES THAT, MS. WYROSDICK?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: NO OTHER LETTERS, SIR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. AND YOU INDICATED THAT MR. STEVENS WISHES TO ADDRESS THE COURT?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: HE DOES. WOULD YOUR HONOR CARE TO HEAR FROM HIS PEOPLE FIRST OR AFTER?

THE COURT: THAT'S FINE, YES.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: I WOULD CALL VANESSA HARRIS THEN.

MS. HARRIS, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

MS. HARRIS: YES, I CAN.

THE COURT: HOLD ON.

OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, RANDY.

YES, MS. HARRIS. GOOD MORNING.

MS. HARRIS: GOOD MORNING, SIR. HOW ARE YOU?

THE COURT: GREAT.

MS. HARRIS: GREAT.

I'VE BEEN KNOWING AJANI STEVENS FOR OVER TWO YEARS NOW. HE STARTED OUT AS MY FITNESS COACH. HE'S VERY, VERY GOOD AT WHAT HE DOES. HE HAS A PASSION FOR FITNESS. HE TAUGHT A CLASS ON ANY GIVEN DAY OF 15 TO 20 WOMEN.

AND HE AND I JUST DEVELOPED A FRIENDSHIP THAT LED INTO A

RELATIONSHIP, AND I WAS PART OF BEING INSTRUMENTAL IN HELPING
HIM ACQUIRE HIS BUSINESS. AND BEFORE HE WAS PICKED UP, IT WAS
TAKING OFF QUITE WELL. HE HAD A CLASS OF HIS OWN, WITHOUT BEING
ATTACHED TO THE OTHER COACHES, OF ABOUT 20 WOMEN. AND THEN HE
GOT PICKED UP, SO EVERYTHING HAD TO BE PUT ON HOLD.

FROM WHAT I CAN TELL, HE HAS CHANGED, AND HE IS PLANNING ON GOING FURTHER WITH HIS CAREER. HE DOES THE WORK THAT HE NEEDS TO PUT, THE RESEARCH, AND I ALSO HELP HIM WITH THAT AS WELL. SO I DO BELIEVE HE HAS A GREAT FUTURE IN HEALTH AND FITNESS.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: THANK YOU.

YOUR HONOR, CAN WE HEAR FROM HIS MOTHER, PLEASE, MS. STEVENS?

THE COURT: YES.

MS. STEVENS, ON MY SCREEN, ANYWAY, YOU'RE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE. SO I GUESS RIGHT WHERE THE MOTHER SHOULD BE, HUH? YES, MA'AM.

MS. STEVENS: THAT IS SO CORRECT.

GOOD MORNING, JUDGE. I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW, YOU LOOK GOOD AS A MOVIE STAR ON YOUR FIRST TIME.

THE COURT: FLATTERY WILL GET YOU ONLY EVERYWHERE.
SO, YES, PLEASE.

MS. STEVENS: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT MY SON HAS
TRULY CHANGED HIS LIFE COMPLETELY. HE HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN
OUTSTANDING SON, A GIVING PERSON. I HAVE SEEN MY SON GIVE TO
THE HOMELESS. I HAVE SEEN HIM FEED PEOPLE. I HAVE SEEN MY SON

LITERALLY TAKE OFF SHOES AND COME BACK HOME AND GET CLOTHES TO GIVE TO THE HOMELESS. I HAVE SEEN HIM TAKE OFF HIS COAT WHEN IT WAS COLD AND GIVE IT TO SOMEONE WHO DIDN'T HAVE A COAT. THAT'S THE KIND OF SON THAT I HAVE.

HE'S ALSO A SON THAT MAKES -- MAKE A PERSON LAUGH. PEOPLE FLOCK TO MY SON AS FAR AS HAVING A GOOD TIME, A GOOD RELATIONSHIP.

WE ARE A -- I'VE BEEN A SINGLE MOTHER FOR A LONG TIME, BUT
WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO PUT GOD FIRST IN EVERYTHING WE DO.
WE HAVE MADE A LOT OF MISTAKES, BUT AS A FAMILY, WE PRAY
TOGETHER, WE EAT TOGETHER, WE TRAVEL TOGETHER. AND THESE ARE
THE THINGS THAT I MISS SO MUCH, NOT HAVING TO BE ABLE TO SEE MY
SON OR TOUCH MY SON OR GREET MY SON. EVERYONE THAT COME INTO MY
HOME, WE GREET THEM WITH LOVE, WE HUG ON THEM, AND WE LET THEM
KNOW THAT THEY ARE WELCOME HERE. AND THAT'S THE KIND OF SON
THAT I RAISED.

SO I ASK FOR YOU, IN JESUS' NAME, THAT YOU BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE KIND OF YOUNG MAN THAT'S IN FRONT OF YOU TODAY, THAT YOU GIVE HIM A CHANCE. HIS BUSINESS WAS GOING GREAT. HE WAS DOING WONDERFUL THINGS OUT HERE IN THE COMMUNITY, AND WE JUST WANT HIM BACK HOME. SO WE ASK THAT YOU GIVE THEM -- GIVE ALL OF US ANOTHER CHANCE, BECAUSE WE STAY -- WE ARE TRULY -- ALL OF US ARE IN THIS TOGETHER AS A FAMILY.

THANK YOU.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: THANK YOU.

AND THEN HEAR FROM HIS SISTER, PLEASE.

THE COURT: YES, MA'AM.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: STATE YOUR NAME, MA'AM.

MS. AKILAH STEVENS: AKILAH STEVENS

GOOD MORNING, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: GOOD MORNING.

MS. AKILAH STEVENS: MY BROTHER -- MY BROTHER IS MY
BEST FRIEND. IT'S JUST HE AND I. I'M THE ELDEST. I HAVE SEEN
A CHANGE IN MY BROTHER, BUT HE AND I, WE'RE ALWAYS GOING TO HAVE
THE SAME RELATIONSHIP. WE PLAY A LOT. WE -- EVEN AT THIS AGE,
WE WRESTLE, WE HIT ON EACH OTHER. LIKE, THAT'S WHAT I MISS. I
MISS MY FRIEND. AND WE HAVE A SMALL FAMILY, SO HE'S JUST THE
MISSING PIECE TO IT.

THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: THANK YOU.

ARE THERE ANY OTHER WITNESSES THAT I'VE MISSED? I DON'T BELIEVE SO.

SO, YOUR HONOR, IN MY SENTENCING MEMO, WE ASKED THAT YOU GIVE HIM 37, MONTHS WHICH WAS AGREED TO IN THE PLEA AGREEMENT.

AT THE TIME THAT THE GUN WAS FOUND, HE WASN'T USING IT FOR ANY VICIOUS OR VIOLENT PURPOSE. IT WAS IN THE TRUNK OF THE CAR IN A ZIPPERED POUCH NEXT TO THE TIRE IRON, I BELIEVE. AND ANOTHER PART OF THIS CASE WAS THAT HE WAS SEEN GOING INTO, I BELIEVE, A WALMART OR A STORE AND BUYING AMMUNITION. MR. STEVENS WILL TELL YOU THAT THE GUN BELONGED TO A FAMILY MEMBER WHO ASKED HIM TO

DRAFT - FOR REFERENCE ONLY - NOT TO BE OUOTED FROM

BUY AMMUNITION, BUT HE DIDN'T REALIZE THE GUN WAS IN THE CAR.

I THINK MR. STEVENS IS TRULY TRYING TO CHANGE HIS LIFE. IF
YOU LOOK AT HIS CRIMINAL HISTORY FROM WHERE HE BEGAN TO NOW,
IT'S GOTTEN LESS AND LESS SEVERE.

SO AFTER THE UNITED STATES, THEN I WOULD JUST CALL MR. STEVENS.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

THE DEFENDANT: GOOD MORNING, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: GOOD MORNING.

THE DEFENDANT: ALL RIGHT. I'M JUST HERE -- FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR HAVING THIS HEARING. I UNDERSTAND THAT I WAS THE FIRST, SO I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THAT, FIRST OF ALL.

SECONDLY -- WHERE DO I BEGIN? YOU KNOW, I'M NOT CLAIMING TO BE A SAINT. I HAVE MADE MISTAKES IN MY LIFE, BUT I'VE ALSO CHANGED A LOT. I'VE GROWN TO BE A MATURE ADULT. I HAD A LOT OF THINGS THAT WAS GOING ON IN MY LIFE AS FAR AS OPENING MY OWN BUSINESS.

I'M DEEP INTO THE PERSONAL TRAINING. I STARTED OFF, YOU KNOW, JUST DOING IT JUST BECAUSE I LOVE TO HELP PEOPLE, AND THAT'S HOW I STARTED, YOU KNOW, TO BECOME OPENING MY OWN BUSINESS. I DID A LOT OF FREE CHARITY WORK AS FAR AS I TRAINED VIETNAM VETS, THE ELDERLY, SINGLE-PARENT CHILDREN, AND THE LIST GOES ON, YOUR HONOR.

AND, ONCE AGAIN, I'M NOT ASKING FOR, YOU KNOW, THE POSITION

THAT I'M IN TO BE JUST SWEPT UNDER THE RUG. I'M JUST ASKING FOR GRACE AND MERCY, YOUR HONOR. I DID MAKE A MISTAKE, AND AS AN EX-FELON, I SHOULD BE MORE AWARE OF MY SURROUNDINGS. SO I JUST ASK THAT YOU PLEASE, YOU KNOW, GIVE ME FORGIVENESS ON THAT.

AND, ONCE AGAIN, I KNOW THAT IT'S STILL A PART OF YOUR JOB, YOUR HONOR, BUT I'M ASKING YOU FOR GRACE AND MERCY TODAY.

THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS AS FAR AS THINGS THAT'S GOING ON WITHIN THIS JAIL, AND I HAVE BROUGHT PROOF OF IT. I HAVE RIGHT HERE --

DEFENSE COUNSEL: MR. STEVENS --

THE DEFENDANT: -- WHERE -- I'M A DIABETIC. SO I JUST SIMPLY ASKED -- WE'RE SUPPOSED TO CHECK OUR BLOOD SUGAR LEVEL AT LEAST TWICE A DAY. SO I ASKED COULD IT BE CHECKED AT LEAST ONCE A DAY, BECAUSE THEY ONLY CHECK MY BLOOD SUGAR ONCE A MONTH.

THEY TOLD ME THAT I WOULD LITERALLY HAVE TO START SHOOTING INSULIN JUST TO GET MY BLOOD SUGAR CHECKED ON A DAILY BASIS.

I WAS ON A MEDICATION CALLED NEURONTIN FOR MY NERVE PAIN IN MY FOOT. I ASKED FOR THAT AS SOON AS I GOT TO GRAYSON COUNTY.

THEY TOLD ME THAT THEY COULDN'T GIVE IT TO ME JUST DUE TO PEOPLE AROUND HERE THAT MISUSE IT AS FAR AS SNORTING IT AND STUFF LIKE THAT. SO IN THE PROCESS OF ME BEING HERE, MY LEFT FOOT IS COMPLETELY NUMB, AND IT TURNED BLACK.

I HAVE -- I ASKED FOR A MASK. DUE TO ME BEING A DIABETIC, I
KNOW THAT I'M MORE VULNERABLE THAN THE AVERAGE HUMAN BEING. SO
I JUST SIMPLY ASKED FOR A MASK, BECAUSE WHERE I'M AT NOW, IT'S

OVERCROWDED. THEY HAVE ME IN A CELL THAT ONLY HOLDS 15 PEOPLE,
BUT THEY GOT 21 PEOPLE IN THERE. I STARTED OFF SLEEPING ON THE
FLOOR BECAUSE THERE'S NOT ENOUGH BUNKS IN MY CELL.

AND THE LIST GOES ON, YOUR HONOR.

SO WHAT I'M ASKING FOR YOU TODAY, I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO JUST FORGET, YOU KNOW -- EXCUSE ME. I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO FORGET THE POSITION THAT I'M IN. I'M JUST ASKING THAT I PLEASE BE ABLE TO BE IN A BETTER ENVIRONMENT UNTIL IT'S TIME FOR ME TO, YOU KNOW, TURN MYSELF IN OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT, YOUR HONOR.

THE PSI PEOPLE, THEY CAN LOOK AT MY BACKGROUND. I'VE NEVER
BEEN LATE OR MISSED A COURT DATE, YOUR HONOR. IN MY PRIOR
CASES, I WAS ALWAYS OUT ON BOND. I'VE NEVER RAN, NEVER TRIED
TO. I ALWAYS TOOK MY MISTAKES, AND I TOOK THE CONSEQUENCES AS
WELL, YOUR HONOR.

AND THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE HERE. IN THIS SAME CASE THAT'S IN FRONT OF YOU TODAY, BEFORE IT WENT FEDERAL, IT WAS A STATE CASE. DURING THAT TIME, I BONDED OUT, I WENT BACK HOME TO ATLANTA, AND I DIDN'T MISS A COURT DATE. I NEVER MISSED A COURT DATE, YOUR HONOR, ON THIS CASE RIGHT HERE. I DROVE BACK TO KENTUCKY JUST TO GO TO COURT.

WHEN THEY PICKED ME UP, I NEVER HAD A NOTICE. THEY NEVER
PHONE-CALLED ME. THEY NEVER SAID ANYTHING. THEY JUST PUT A
WARRANT OUT FOR ME AND CAME AND GOT ME. THAT'S THE ONLY REASON
THAT I DIDN'T TURN MYSELF IN.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: EXCUSE ME ONE SECOND.

I THINK MR. STEVENS -- I HAD LET THE PARTIES KNOW THAT WE WERE GOING TO ASK POSSIBLY FOR A SELF-SURRENDER DATE. I THINK HE'S CONFLATING THE TWO THINGS. SO MAYBE WE SHOULD FINISH THE SENTENCING FIRST AND THEN HEAR THE OTHER ISSUE.

THE COURT: OKAY.

THE DEFENDANT: WELL, YOUR HONOR, I JUST WANT TO THANK
YOU FOR MY TIME -- THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, YOUR HONOR. ONCE
AGAIN, I APOLOGIZE TO ALL THE PARTIES FOR A WASTE OF TIME,
BECAUSE I DO UNDERSTAND, LIKE, THIS IS NONSENSE. AND THANK YOU
GUYS SO MUCH.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MS. DYCUS?

PROSECUTOR: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

AS PREVIOUSLY STATED, WE DON'T HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PRESENTENCE REPORT. WE AGREE WITH AN OFFENSE LEVEL OF 17, CRIMINAL HISTORY CATEGORY OF IV. WE DID AGREE TO A LOW-END GUIDELINE SENTENCE IN THIS CASE, WHICH CAME OUT TO 37 MONTHS, AND WE'LL STAND BY THAT TODAY, YOUR HONOR. AND I WOULD RECOMMEND A 37-MONTH SENTENCE FOR MR. STEVENS BASED ON THE CONDUCT AND THEN COUPLED WITH HIS CRIMINAL HISTORY.

AND I CAN ADDRESS THE SELF-SURRENDER NOW, OR I CAN ADDRESS THAT LATER, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: WE'LL TAKE THAT UP AFTER WE GET THROUGH WITH THE SENTENCING.

PROSECUTOR: YES, SIR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING FURTHER FROM YOU,

MS. WYROSDICK?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: NO, YOUR HONOR.

WE WOULD JUST ALSO ASK THAT DUE TO THE FACT THAT HE WASN'T USING THE WEAPON FOR ANYTHING, HE WASN'T COMMITTING A VIOLENT CRIME AT THE TIME, THE WEAPON WAS ZIPPED AWAY IN THE TRUNK OF THE CAR, WE BELIEVE THAT 37 MONTHS IS CERTAINLY REASONABLE AND SUFFICIENT, BUT NOT GREATER THAN NECESSARY, AND WE'D ASK YOU TO SENTENCE HIM TO THAT.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MS. WYROSDICK, I'M GOING TO

ASK YOU TO ADDRESS WHAT SEEMS TO ME TO BE A STICKING POINT. AT

LEAST IT IS WITH ME. AND THAT'S PARAGRAPH 17 OF THE PRESENTENCE

REPORT.

DO YOU HAVE THAT AVAILABLE TO YOU?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: I HAVE SEVERAL COPIES HERE. ONE MOMENT. LET ME GET IT.

GAMBLING? I HAVE PARAGRAPH 17 IS GAMBLING IN 2003.

THE COURT: LET ME SEE. MAYBE I'VE WRITTEN DOWN THE WRONG --

DEFENSE COUNSEL: OR MAYBE I HAVE THE WRONG -- BECAUSE I HAVE SEVERAL VERSIONS.

THE COURT: IT'S ON PAGE 5 OF THE MOST RECENT VERSION --

DEFENSE COUNSEL: OKAY. VERY GOOD, SIR.

THE COURT: -- DATED MARCH 17, 2020. AND THIS DEALS WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE ARREST OF MR. STEVENS ON JANUARY

24, 2019.

OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO ME IS THAT I UNDERSTAND MR. STEVENS SAYS THAT THE GUN WHICH HE POSSESSED IN THE TRUNK OF HIS CAR THAT BROUGHT ABOUT THE CURRENT CHARGE WAS IN A BAG AND BELONGED TO SOMEBODY ELSE, BUT AT LEAST ACCORDING TO THE PRESENTENCE REPORT, WHEN MR. STEVENS WAS ARRESTED, AFTER BEING RELEASED ON BOND BY THE STATE COURT, IN THE BEDROOM OF HIS HOME, THERE WAS A GLOCK PISTOL, A 9MM PISTOL, LAYING IN HIS BED WITH HIM.

AND BEFORE I PRONOUNCE THE SENTENCE, I REALLY WANT TO SOLICIT YOUR INPUT ON THAT ASPECT OF THE PRESENTENCE REPORT, BECAUSE, FRANKLY, AS YOU WELL KNOW, WHAT I'M SUPPOSED TO DO IS TO IMPOSE A SENTENCE THAT'S SUFFICIENT, BUT NOT GREATER THAN NECESSARY, TO PROMOTE RESPECT FOR THE LAW, TO PUNISH AND DETER. AND IT SEEMS AS THOUGH MR. STEVENS, WITH A SIGNIFICANT HISTORY OF CRIME, INCLUDING VIOLENT CRIME, AFTER HE WAS ARRESTED FOR POSSESSING THIS .25 CALIBER GUN IN THE TRUNK OF HIS CAR, HE WAS -- THEY LET HIM GO HOME, AND WHEN THEY DID ARREST HIM, HE HAS A 9MM GLOCK IN HIS BED.

SO I'D LIKE FOR YOU ADDRESS THAT, MS. WYROSDICK.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: WELL, YOUR HONOR, OF COURSE, I
WASN'T THERE AT THE TIME. BUT READING FROM THIS PARAGRAPH,
UNLESS I'M MISREADING IT -- AND WE'LL ASK MR. STEVENS TO ASSIST.
BUT IT SAYS WHEN THEY CLEARED THE BEDROOM, ALL THE BELONGINGS IN
THE BED APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN MOVED TO ONE SIDE, AND IT APPEARED
A PERSON WAS POSSIBLY LAYING ON THE OTHER SIDE WITH A BLANKET.

IT'S POSSIBLE THAT THIS PERSON THAT WAS LAYING ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BED WITH A BLANKET IS THE PERSON THAT HAD THAT GUN.

AM I IN THE RIGHT PARAGRAPH, SIR, THE PARAGRAPH YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT?

THE COURT: YES, MA'AM.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: AND I DON'T KNOW IF THIS GLOCK WAS

EVER FINGERPRINTED AND WHETHER OR NOT IF IT -- THEY DID HAVE

EVIDENCE THAT IT BELONGED SPECIFICALLY TO MR. STEVENS, WHY THEY

WOULDN'T HAVE ADDED A SECOND COUNT. HE WASN'T CHARGED WITH THIS

GUN, THIS GLOCK.

AND I UNDERSTAND THAT IT HAS FEATURED PROMINENTLY IN KEEPING HIM IN CUSTODY THE ENTIRE TIME. I KNOW THE JUDGE IN GEORGIA LOOKED AT THIS AS A NEGATIVE THING, AND I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW YOUR HONOR WOULD LOOK AT THIS.

AND IF WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT CONSTRUCTIVE POSSESSION, I WOULD SUBMIT THAT THERE'S PROBABLY ENOUGH HERE FOR CONSTRUCTIVE POSSESSION, BUT I DON'T SEE ANYTHING HERE TO INDICATE THAT IT WAS HIS GUN, THAT, YOU KNOW, HE WAS SLEEPING WITH IT IN THE BED, AND THAT IT DIDN'T BELONG TO THE OTHER PERSON THAT MAY HAVE BEEN LAYING ON THE OTHER SIDE WITH A BLANKET.

MR. STEVENS, DID YOU WANT TO ADDRESS THIS, SIR?

THE DEFENDANT: WELL, YOUR HONOR, LIKE I SAID, WHEN

I -- WHEN THEY CAME AND ARRESTED ME, I'M PRETTY SURE THAT THEY

SEEN I HAD JUST FINISHED TEACHING A CLASS. I HAD JUST GOT

THERE. AND IF THEY WAS THERE, THEY WOULD HAVE SEEN SOMEBODY

DRAFT - FOR REFERENCE ONLY - NOT TO BE OUOTED FROM

ELSE LEAVING THE APARTMENT BEFORE I EVEN GOT THERE. THERE WAS SOMEBODY ELSE IN THE APARTMENT.

WHEN THEY ARRESTED ME, THEY TOLD ME -- I TOLD THEM I WASN'T EVEN IN THE BEDROOM. I WAS ASLEEP ON THE FRONT ROOM COUCH WATCHING TV. AND WHEN THEY ASKED ME ABOUT THE GUN, I HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF IT, AND I TOLD THEM THAT DAY.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING FURTHER THEN FROM YOU, MS. WYROSDICK?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: YOUR HONOR, THE ONLY THING I WOULD ADD IS THAT 37 MONTHS FOR POSSESSING A WEAPON AND BEING A PRIOR CONVICTED FELON IS WHAT THE GUIDELINES SAY -- LOOKING AT HIS CRIMINAL HISTORY, LOOKING AT THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS CASE -- HE SHOULD BE GIVEN. THE PROSECUTOR AGREED TO THE LOW END AFTER SHE AND I WENT THROUGH THE GUIDELINES TO THE BEST OF OUR ESTIMATION, AND, THEREFORE, I WOULD ARGUE THAT THE GOVERNMENT BELIEVED 37 MONTHS WOULD ALSO BE APPROPRIATE.

I THINK THIS MAN HAS CERTAINLY LEARNED HIS LESSON. HE'S
BEEN IN CUSTODY SINCE GEORGIA. HE HAS A FUTURE AHEAD OF HIM. I
DON'T SEE THIS MAN AS BEING A THROWAWAY PERSON OR SOME SORT OF A
THUG THAT WON'T EVER LEARN HIS LESSON. HE HAS CERTAINLY LEARNED
HIS LESSON. HE HAS A CARING FAMILY.

WHEN HE GETS FINISHED WITH THE 37-MONTH SENTENCE, HE WILL BE ON SUPERVISED RELEASE. SO ANYTHING THAT HE DOES, INCLUDING BEING WITH OTHER PEOPLE THAT HAVE GUNS OR ANY OF THAT, HE COULD CERTAINLY BE VIOLATED AND SENT BACK. BUT I DON'T THINK A

DRAFT - FOR REFERENCE ONLY - NOT TO BE QUOTED FROM SENTENCE HIGHER THAN 37 MONTHS SHOULD BE IMPOSED.

THANK YOU, SIR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. THE COURT WILL NOW PRONOUNCE THE SENTENCE IN THIS MATTER.

AS I INDICATED A MOMENT AGO, THE GUIDELINE RANGE THAT THE ATTORNEYS HAVE DISCUSSED IN THIS CASE, OF COURSE, IS IMPUTED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION'S GUIDELINES, WHICH CALL FOR A SENTENCE IN THIS MATTER IN THE RANGE OF 37 TO 46 MONTHS. OF COURSE, THOSE GUIDELINES ARE JUST THAT. THEY'RE GUIDELINES.

AND IT IS MY DUTY TO IMPOSE A SENTENCE THAT'S SUFFICIENT,

BUT NOT GREATER THAN NECESSARY, TO PUNISH THIS CONDUCT, TO DETER

THIS KIND OF CONDUCT, TO PROMOTE RESPECT FOR THE LAW, TAKING

INTO ACCOUNT THE HISTORY AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DEFENDANT

AND THE NATURE AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CRIME.

WITH SPECIFIC RESPECT TO MR. STEVENS, HIS HISTORY INVOLVES A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT. I AM PLEASED TO SEE THAT HE HAS THE SUPPORT OF HIS FAMILY. IT'S VERY SIGNIFICANT TO ME THAT IT ALSO SEEMS THAT HE WAS MAKING AN EFFORT TO BE A PRODUCTIVE MEMBER OF HIS COMMUNITY THROUGH HIS FITNESS WORK, AND THAT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE I DO SENTENCE PEOPLE FREQUENTLY WHO DON'T SEEM TO HAVE ANY REAL HOPE OF BECOMING PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS OF THEIR COMMUNITIES.

THE NATURE AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS CRIME, CERTAINLY
POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY SOMEONE WHO HAS A VIOLENT HISTORY,

LIKE MR. STEVENS, IS A VERY SERIOUS OFFENSE. THE ONE THING THAT SEEMS TO HAVE EVADED MR. STEVENS AT THIS POINT IS THAT HE CANNOT POSSESS A FIREARM. I CAN'T, FRANKLY, IMAGINE SOMEONE POSSESSING A GUN IF THEY KNOW THAT GETTING CAUGHT WITH A GUN CAN SEND THEM BACK TO PRISON FOR FOUR OR FIVE YEARS, AND IT SEEMS LIKE THAT LESSON HAS NOT SUNK IN.

AND THE DETERRENCE IN THIS CASE, IT IS HOPEFUL THAT THE SENTENCE IMPOSED WILL SPECIFICALLY NOT JUST DETER OTHER PEOPLE BUT WILL DETER MR. STEVENS FROM POSSESSING A GUN. HE CANNOT DO THAT. AND IF HE DOES POSSESS A GUN IN THE FUTURE, HE'LL GO BACK TO PRISON.

NEVERTHELESS, IN THIS CASE, THE GUIDELINE RANGES SEEM REASONABLE.

I, FRANKLY, AM MOST CONCERNED ABOUT THIS PARAGRAPH 17, THE FACT THAT WHEN MR. STEVENS WAS ARRESTED, THERE'S A GLOCK SITTING IN HIS BED RIGHT NEXT TO HIS CELL PHONE. I SUPPOSE THERE IS NOT SPECIFIC EVIDENCE THAT THAT GUN BELONGED TO HIM, BUT AT LEAST THE WAY I READ THAT, AS I UNDERSTOOD IT, MR. STEVENS HAD GOTTEN UP OUT OF THE BED TO ANSWER THE DOOR WHEN THE POLICE CAME.

BUT I AM GOING TO GIVE HIM THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT ON THAT,
AS WELL AS I'M GOING TO DEFER TO THE JUDGMENT OF THE PROSECUTOR
IN THIS CASE THAT A SENTENCE OF 37 MONTHS IS REASONABLE. AND
THAT IS WHAT I AM GOING TO IMPOSE.

SO, THEREFORE, IT'S THE JUDGMENT OF THE COURT THAT

MR. STEVENS WILL BE COMMITTED TO THE CUSTODY OF THE BUREAU OF

PRISONS FOR A TERM OF 37 MONTHS AS TO COUNT 1 IN THE INDICTMENT.

UPON RELEASE FROM IMPRISONMENT, THE DEFENDANT SHALL BE
PLACED ON SUPERVISED RELEASE FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS AS TO
COUNT 1. MR. STEVENS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ABIDE BY THE STANDARD
CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION ADOPTED BY THE COURT AS WELL AS THE
SPECIAL CONDITIONS, A COPY OF WHICH HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE
DEFENDANT AND COUNSEL. THESE SPECIAL CONDITIONS INCLUDE
COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL TREATMENT, DRUG TESTING, AND A SEARCH
CONDITION, ALL OF WHICH WILL BE EXPLAINED BY THE U.S. PROBATION
OFFICER.

THE DEFENDANT IS REQUIRED TO PAY A SPECIAL PENALTY

ASSESSMENT FEE OF \$100 AS TO THE SINGLE COUNT OF CONVICTION.

THAT FINANCIAL SANCTION SHALL BE PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS PAGE THAT WILL BE CONTAINED WITH THE JUDGMENT.

RESTITUTION IS NOT AN ISSUE IN THIS CASE. THE FINE AND THE COST OF INVESTIGATION, PROSECUTION, INCARCERATION, AND SUPERVISION ARE WAIVED DUE TO THE DEFENDANT'S INABILITY TO PAY.

HAVING CONSIDERED 18 U.S.C. SECTION 3553(A) AND THE ADVISORY GUIDELINES, WHICH PRODUCE A TOTAL OFFENSE LEVEL OF 17 AND A CRIMINAL HISTORY CATEGORY OF IV, THE ADVISORY GUIDELINE RANGES, AS I SAID BEFORE, ARE 37 TO 46 MONTHS, A FINE OF 10,000 TO 95,000 DOLLARS, AND 1 TO 3 YEARS OF SUPERVISED RELEASE.

A SENTENCE OF 37 MONTHS' CUSTODY FOLLOWED BY 3 YEARS'
SUPERVISED RELEASE FALLS WITHIN THE ADVISORY GUIDELINE RANGE,

AND I BELIEVE IT IS SUFFICIENT, BUT NOT GREATER THAN NECESSARY,

TO ACHIEVE THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THE STATUTE. AND IT DOES

CONFORM WITH THE PLEA AGREEMENT.

ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE SENTENCE PRONOUNCED OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS IMPOSED WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY RAISED, MS. WYROSDICK?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: NO, SIR, NO OBJECTIONS.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MS. DYCUS?

PROSECUTOR: NO, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. ACCORDING TO THE PLEA

AGREEMENT, MR. STEVENS WAIVED HIS RIGHT TO DIRECTLY APPEAL THIS

CONVICTION AND SENTENCE UNLESS BASED ON CLAIMED OF INEFFECTIVE

ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL OR PROSECUTORIAL MISCONDUCT.

WE HAVE SENT YOU A DOCUMENT TO SIGN TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WAIVER. HAVE YOU RECEIVED THAT, MR. STEVENS?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. YOU NEED TO SIGN THAT, THEN,

IF YOU -- PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF YOUR PLEA AGREEMENT. AND I'M

NOT SURE HOW --

DEPUTY CLERK: GRAYSON COUNTY GETS IT BACK TO US.

THE COURT: OKAY. ALL RIGHT. GIVE THAT TO THE FOLKS AT GRAYSON COUNTY, AND THEY'RE TO GIVE THAT TO US.

MR. STEVENS, ONE LAST POINT. THIS THREE YEARS OF SUPERVISED RELEASE, ONCE YOU ARE RELEASED FROM PRISON, YOU'LL BE SUPERVISED BY A FEDERAL PROBATION OFFICER, AND YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND THAT

THOSE FOLKS ARE TRYING TO HELP YOU STAY OUT OF TROUBLE. PLEASE VIEW THEM AS SUPPORT AND NOT AS FURTHER PUNISHMENT. THOSE FOLKS ARE GOING TO TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU STAY OUT OF TROUBLE, AND THEY'RE GOING TO HELP YOU TRY TO BECOME A PRODUCTIVE MEMBER OF YOUR COMMUNITY AND TO CONVINCE YOU TO STAY OUT OF TROUBLE, NOT TO POSSESS A GUN.

AND THEY ARE THERE -- THEY DEDICATE THEIR ENTIRE LIVES TO

TRYING TO PROVIDE SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO KEEP YOU FROM

EVER GOING BACK TO JAIL. SO PLEASE ACCEPT THE SUPPORT THAT THEY

PROVIDE DURING THAT PERIOD OF SUPERVISION.

THE DEFENDANT: YES, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MS. WYROSDICK?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: YES, SIR.

THE COURT: YOU ALSO WANTED TO ADDRESS, THEN, THE DETENTION AT THIS TIME?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: YES, SIR.

SO WE HAD FILED A MOTION AFTER THE PANDEMIC WAS EXPOSED IN THE UNITED STATES AND POINTED OUT THAT THE SCIENTIFIC MINDS WERE SAYING PEOPLE WITH CERTAIN COMORBIDITIES, DIABETES BEING ONE OF THEM, WERE MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO GETTING VERY SERIOUSLY SICK FROM THIS VIRUS OR PASSING AWAY. THE UNITED STATES RESPONDED, AND, OF COURSE, JUDGE BRENNENSTUHL DENIED OUR MOTION.

I WANTED TO BRING IT UP AGAIN TODAY AND ASK WHETHER OR NOT YOUR HONOR WOULD CONSIDER PUTTING HIM ON A MONITOR, RELEASING HIM TO ONE OF THE WITNESSES HERE, AND PERMITTING HIM TO

SELF-SURRENDER.

AND THE REASON -- A COUPLE OF REASONS. FIRST OF ALL, AGAIN, HE'S IN THE JAIL. HE EXPLAINED THE CROWDED CONDITIONS TO YOU. THERE'S NO POSSIBILITY OF SOCIAL DISTANCING, AND HE HAS ONE OF THE COMORBIDITIES WHICH PUT HIM MORE AT RISK THAN OTHER PEOPLE. HE'S ALSO INDICATED THAT EVEN THOUGH HE IS A FIT PERSON AND CARES A LOT ABOUT EXERCISE AND FITNESS THAT HIS BLOOD SUGAR ISN'T BEING MONITORED AND THAT THERE'S SOME PROBLEM WITH HIS LEG.

THE OTHER ISSUE THAT I THINK IS IMPORTANT IS THAT WE ARE NOT SURE AT THIS TIME WHEN PEOPLE ARE BEING ACCEPTED BY THE BUREAU OF PRISONS TO BE MOVED OUT. SO WE HAD ANOTHER CASE RECENTLY WHERE A PERSON WAS JUST KIND OF IN LIMBO BECAUSE BOP WOULDN'T TAKE THEM AND THEY WERE FINISHED HERE AND THEY WERE READY TO GO ON TO BOP.

SO FOR THOSE REASONS -- AND I UNDERSTAND, YOUR HONOR, ABOUT PARAGRAPH 17. AND I ALSO UNDERSTAND THE GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE, THAT GRAYSON HAS TRIED TO INSTITUTE PROCEDURES OF CLEANING AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE, BUT HE STILL REMAINS AT RISK. AND I THINK THAT WE COULD CERTAINLY FASHION CONDITIONS BASED ON THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THESE EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES, OF THIS VIRUS AND HIS PRIOR HEALTH AND THE FACT THAT BOP IS NOT MOVING PEOPLE AT THE MOMENT.

THE DEFENDANT: CAN I SAY SOMETHING?

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. MS. DYCUS?

PROSECUTOR: YOUR HONOR, OF COURSE, YOU'RE AWARE OF
OUR RESPONSE, AND THEN YOU ISSUED THE ORDER DENYING THEIR MOTION
FOR RELEASE. THERE ARE NO CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WE'RE
AWARE OF SINCE THAT RESPONSE WAS FILED, SINCE YOUR ORDER WAS
ISSUED, THAT WOULD CHANGE MR. STEVENS' CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE
POINT OF RELEASING HIM AND ALLOWING HIM TO SELF-REPORT.

WE'VE TALKED ABOUT PARAGRAPH 17 AT LENGTH TODAY. THAT WAS A BIG PART OF OUR RESPONSE, AND IT'S ALSO PART OF WHY OUR POSITION TODAY IS ALSO UNCHANGED. AND WE WOULD ASK THAT HE REMAIN DETAINED, CONTINUE TO SERVE HIS SENTENCE. HE'S GETTING CREDIT.

HE -- WHILE MR. STEVENS SAID EARLIER THAT HE WAS OUT ON BOND AND HE DROVE BACK AND FORTH TO COURT, THAT ALL MAY WELL BE TRUE, BUT THE FACT ALSO REMAINS THAT THERE WAS A FIREARM IN HIS RESIDENCE WHEN THEY WENT IN. AND WHETHER OR NOT HE WAS CHARGED WITH IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE FOR TODAY, AS THE GUIDELINE WOULD BE UNCHANGED, BUT AS FAR AS THE FACTS OF THAT ARREST -- AND THEY'RE LAID OUT ADEQUATELY IN THAT OFFENSE CONDUCT SECTION IN PARAGRAPH 17 -- HE SAID HE JUST GOT HOME, BUT HIS WALLET AND CELL PHONE, WHICH HE REQUESTED, WERE ON THE BEDSIDE TABLE RIGHT BESIDE WHERE THAT GUN WAS LOCATED, YOUR HONOR.

SO WE DO BELIEVE THAT THAT STILL POSES A DANGER, HIS

INABILITY TO ABIDE BY CONDITIONS. SO WE WOULD ASK THAT HE GO

AHEAD AND START SERVING THIS 37 MONTHS.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. AND I'M GOING TO OVERRULE THE MOTION FOR RELEASE AT THIS TIME, AND MR. STEVENS WILL REMAIN IN

DRAFT - FOR REFERENCE ONLY - NOT TO BE OUOTED FROM

DETENTION. THAT GLOCK IN THE BED IS SOMETHING THAT DOES CONCERN ME.

WITH SPECIFIC RESPECT TO MR. STEVENS AND HIS EXPOSURE TO COVID, I WILL NOTE THAT WE WERE ADVISED ON MAY 1ST THAT NONE OF THE CONTRACT DETENTION FACILITIES THAT THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY UTILIZES HAVE ANY COVID CASES AT THE PRESENT TIME.

THEY ARE SCREENING PEOPLE COMING IN AND OUT OF THE JAIL. AND, AGAIN, AT THIS POINT, THERE HAVE BEEN NO CASES OF COVID-19 REPORTED AT THOSE DETENTION FACILITIES, WHICH I DO THINK IS SIGNIFICANT.

AND I FEEL CERTAIN THAT THE BUREAU OF PRISONS WILL MOVE

MR. STEVENS TO A MORE APPROPRIATE FACILITY, BUT THEY'LL DO THAT

JUST AS SOON AS THEY POSSIBLY CAN. THIS DATE AND TIME, IT'S

DIFFICULT TO KNOW WHEN THE BOP WILL START MOVING PEOPLE, BUT I'M

SURE THAT THEY WILL MOVE MR. STEVENS JUST AS SOON AS THEY CAN DO

SO SAFELY. SO ANYWAY.

WELL, MR. STEVENS, I DO WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK.

AND I APPRECIATE EVERYONE CONFERENCING IN WITH US TODAY, AND WE'LL GET THAT ORDER OUT PROBABLY TODAY.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: YOUR HONOR?

THE COURT: YES?

DEFENSE COUNSEL: I'M SORRY, SIR. WOULD YOU RECOMMEND
A FACILITY AS CLOSE TO AS POSSIBLE TO HIS HOME AND/OR A MEDICAL
FACILITY OWING TO HIS LEG PROBLEM?

THE COURT: I WILL ABSOLUTELY INCLUDE THAT, A

RECOMMENDATION THAT BOP HOUSE MR. STEVENS AT THE CLOSEST FACILITY THAT HAS APPROPRIATE MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND SO FORTH. I KNOW THAT THE FEDERAL PRISON IN LEXINGTON HAS GOT AMPLE MEDICAL STAFF, AND SO HOPEFULLY THAT'S WHERE THEY WILL -- THEY'LL SEND MR. STEVENS.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: THANK YOU, SIR

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

DEFENSE COUNSEL: THANK YOU.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU ALL.