



IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA,)
)
 vs.) CASE NUMBER: DC-2019-2552.00
)
 DEMORRIS SENYON LAUDERDALE,)
 DEFENDANT.)

OBJECTION TO MOTION TO CONTINUE; OR IN ALTERNATIVE,
 MOTION TO SET HEARING FOR BOND IN LIEU OF PRELIMINARY HEARING

COMES NOW the Defendant, by and through his undersigned attorney, and files this Objection to the State's Motion To Continue. In the alternative, the Defendants prays the Court will set a bond hearing in lieu of the scheduled preliminary hearing and states the following causes:

1. Defendant has been incarcerated on these charges since March 27, 2019.
2. Defendant filed his Motion For Preliminary Hearing on April 10, 2019.
3. This court issued its Notice of Hearing on April 11, 2019 setting Preliminary Hearing on this matter for April 24, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.
4. Undersigned counsel for the Defendant is currently in transit to Madison County from Ashland, Alabama for said hearing.
5. The Defendant has subpoenaed witnesses for the scheduled preliminary hearing and presumably those witnesses will appear at the scheduled time.
6. The Defendant would suggest the court allow the lead detective Investigator Johnson to appear and testify telephonically or otherwise electronically (e.g. Skype, FaceTime, etc).
7. In the alternative, and without waiving the demand for preliminary hearing, the Defendant prays the court conduct a hearing tomorrow on Defendant's Motion for Bail at the scheduled time for the preliminary hearing. (Earlier today, the court scheduled a hearing on said Motion for May 10, 2019.)

WHEREFORE, the defendant respectfully prays the following:

- a. This Honorable Court to deny the States Motion to Continue and allow the lead investigator to testify by telephonic or other electronic means, if the States so needs.
- b. In the alternative, conduct a hearing on Defendant's Motion for Bail at the previously scheduled time of the preliminary hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing OBJECTION upon the District Attorney, by placing said copy in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the respective mailing address or by hand delivery or by e-filing on this the 23rd day of April, 2019.

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/s/ Gregory M. Varner

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