

DEFENDANT’S MOTION FOR PRETRIAL RELEASE IN PRESUMPTION CASE

Defendant [CLIENT], by [his/her] attorney, [ATTORNEY], respectfully requests that this Court release [him/her] on bond pursuant to the Bail Reform Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3142 and *United States v. Salerno*, 481 U.S. 739 (1987). [CLIENT] has rebutted the presumption of detention with evidence that [short summary of evidence under 3142(g) that rebuts the presumption—see Part IV]. In support, [CLIENT] states as follows:

I. The Statutory Presumptions of Detention Should Be Viewed with Caution Because They Lead to High Rates of Detention for Low-Risk Defendants.

Congress enacted the statutory presumptions of detention in the Bail Reform Act of 1984 (BRA) “to detain high-risk defendants who were likely to pose a significant risk of danger to the community if they were released pending trial.”¹ But the presumptions of detention have not worked as intended, and federal pretrial detention rates have skyrocketed since the BRA was enacted, rising from 19% in 1985 to 75% in 2019.² A recent study by the Administrative Office of the Courts (AO) attributed this “massive increase”³ in detention rates to the presumptions of detention, especially as they are applied to low-risk defendants.⁴ The statutory presumptions in drug and firearm cases applied to *nearly half* of all federal cases each year.⁵ The presumptions of

¹ Amaryllis Austin, *The Presumption for Detention Statute’s Relationship to Release Rates*, 81 FED. PROB. 52, 56–57 (2017), archived at <https://perma.cc/9HGU-MN2B>.

² *Pretrial Release and Detention: The Bail Reform Act of 1984*, Bureau of Just. Stat. Special Rep., at 2 (Feb. 1988), <https://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/prd-bra84.pdf> (Table 1) (18.8% of defendants detained pretrial in 1985); *Judicial Business: Federal Pretrial Services Tables*, Admin. Off. U.S. Courts (“AO Table”), Table H-14 (Sept. 30, 2019) https://www.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/data_tables/jb_h14_0930.2019.pdf (74.8% of defendants detained pretrial in 2019); *see also* AO Table H-14A (Sept. 30, 2019), https://www.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/data_tables/jb_h14a_0930.2019.pdf (61% detention rate *excluding immigration cases*).

³ Austin, *supra* note 1, at 61.

⁴ *Id.* at 57.

⁵ *Id.* at 55 (the drug presumption “applied to between 42 and 45 percent of [all federal] cases every year”).

detention have thus become “an almost de facto detention order for almost half of all federal cases.”⁶

The study further found that the presumptions increase the detention rate without advancing community safety. Rather than jailing the worst of the worst, the presumptions over-incarcerate the lowest-risk offenders in the system, people who are stable, employed, educated, and have minimal to no criminal history.⁷ When a low-risk individual is not facing a presumption, they’re released 94% of the time.⁸ Yet an identically low-risk individual in a presumption case is released just 68% of the time.⁹ Recent testimony before Congress relied on this government study to call for reform: “These presumptions must be changed because they’ve had far-reaching and devastating consequences that were unforeseen and unintended by Congress.”¹⁰ Moreover, “[t]he BRA’s legislative history demonstrates that Congress did not intend the drug presumption to apply so broadly,” and only intended it to apply to “major drug traffickers,” not people like [CLIENT].¹¹

[ONLY INCLUDE THIS PARAGRAPH IN A DRUG PRESUMPTION CASE] Relying on the groundbreaking findings of the AO study, the Judicial Conference’s Committee on

⁶ *Id.* at 61.

⁷ *Id.* at 57.

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ *Id.*

¹⁰ See *The Administration of Bail by State and Federal Courts: A Call for Reform: Hearing Before the Subcomm. on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security of the H. Comm. on the Judiciary*, 115th Cong. (2019), <https://judiciary.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=2256>; *Testimony of Alison Siegler* at PDF 6–7 (Nov. 14, 2019), <https://docs.house.gov/meetings/JU/JU08/20191114/110194/HHRG-116-JU08-TTF-SieglerA-20191114.pdf>; see also *Written Statement of Alison Siegler* at 13–17 (Nov. 14, 2019), <https://docs.house.gov/meetings/JU/JU08/20191114/110194/HHRG-116-JU08-Wstate-SieglerA-20191114.pdf> (calling for the complete elimination of the presumptions in drug and gun cases).

¹¹ Erica Zunkel & Alison Siegler, *The Federal Judiciary’s Role in Drug Law Reform in an Era of Congressional Dysfunction*, 18 Ohio St. J. Crim. L. (forthcoming 2020), https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3589862, PDF at 7–9 (analyzing legislative history of presumptions in detail).

Criminal Law recently determined “that the § 3142(e) presumption was unnecessarily increasing detention rates of low-risk defendants, particularly in drug trafficking cases.”¹² To address this problem, the Judicial Conference proposed significant legislative reform that would amend the presumption of detention in drug cases “to limit its application to defendants described therein whose criminal history suggests that they are at a higher risk of failing to appear or posing a danger to the community or another person.”¹³ While the Judicial Conference’s proposed legislation has not been enacted yet, this Court can certainly take it into account when evaluating the presumption of detention in this case. Based on the proposed legislation, commentators have urged judges to give “little, if any, weight to the drug presumption of detention at the detention hearing stage.”¹⁴

The problems with the statutory presumptions of detention are important to [CLIENT’s] motion because, as the AO study confirms, high federal pretrial detention rates come with significant and wide-ranging “social and economic costs.”¹⁵ For example, the study explains that “[e]very day that a defendant remains in custody, he or she may lose employment which in turn may lead to a loss of housing. These financial pressures may create a loss of community ties, and ultimately push a defendant towards relapse and/or new criminal activity.”¹⁶ Indeed, the economic harms stemming from being detained pretrial persist for years: even three to four years

¹² *Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States* 10 (Sept.12, 2017), archived at <https://perma.cc/B7RG-5J78>.

¹³ *Id.*

¹⁴ Zunkel & Siegler, *supra* note 11, PDF at 4.

¹⁵ Austin, *supra* note 1, at 61.

¹⁶ *Id.* at 53; *see also* Alexander M. Holsinger & Kristi Holsinger, *Analyzing Bond Supervision Survey Data: The Effects of Pretrial Detention on Self-Reported Outcomes*, 82(2) Fed. Prob. 39, 42 (2018), archived at <https://perma.cc/LQ2M-PL83> (finding that for people detained pretrial for at least three days, 76.1% had a negative job-related consequence and 37.2% had an increase in residential instability).

after their bail hearing, people released pretrial were still 24.9% more likely to be employed than those who were detained.¹⁷ [IF CLIENT IS MALE: And these harms are not just limited to the detained person—once someone is incarcerated, the odds that his children become homeless increase by 95%, and the odds that his partner becomes homeless increase by 49%.¹⁸] The other emotional and psychological harms visited upon the children of incarcerated parents are well-documented.¹⁹

It is unsurprising, then, that another AO study found a relationship “between the pretrial detention of low-risk defendants and an increase in their recidivism rates, both during the pretrial phase as well as in the years following case disposition.”²⁰ More recent studies have confirmed that pretrial detention is criminogenic²¹ and cautioned that “lower crime rates should not be tallied as a benefit of pretrial detention.”²² One reason why pretrial detention is criminogenic is because jails’ physical and mental health screenings and treatment offerings are often

¹⁷ Will Dobbie et al., *The Effects of Pretrial Detention on Conviction, Future Crime, and Employment: Evidence from Randomly Assigned Judges*, 108(2) *Amer. Econ. Rev.* 201, 204 (2018), archived at <https://perma.cc/X77W-DAWV>.

¹⁸ For children, Christopher Wildeman, *Parental Incarceration, Child Homelessness, and the Invisible Consequences of Mass Imprisonment*, 651 *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 74, 88 (2014); for partners, see Amanda Geller & Allyson Walker Franklin, *Paternal Incarceration and the Housing Security of Urban Mothers*, 76 *J. Fam. & Marriage* 411, 420 (2014).

¹⁹ See, e.g., Joseph Murray et al., *Children’s Antisocial Behavior, Mental Health, Drug Use, and Educational Performance After Parental Incarceration: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis*, 138(2) *Psychological Bulletin* 175, 186 (2012).

²⁰ Austin, *supra* note 1, at 54 (citing Christopher T. Lowenkamp et al., *Investigating the Impact of Pretrial Detention on Sentencing Outcomes* (The Laura and John Arthur Foundation 2013), archived at <https://perma.cc/8RPX-YQ78>).

²¹ Paul Heaton et al., *The Downstream Consequences of Misdemeanor Pretrial Detention*, 69 *Stan. L. Rev.* 711, 718 (2017), archived at <https://perma.cc/5723-23AS> (“[D]etention is associated with a 30% increase in new felony charges and a 20% increase in new misdemeanor charges, a finding consistent with other research suggesting that even short-term detention has criminogenic effects.”); Arpit Gupta et al., *The Heavy Costs of High Bail: Evidence from Judge Randomization*, 45 *J. Legal Stud.* 471, 496 (2016) (“[O]ur results suggest that the assessment of money bail yields substantial negative externalities in terms of additional crime.”).

²² Emily Leslie & Nolan G. Pope, *The Unintended Impact of Pretrial Detention on Case Outcomes: Evidence from New York City Arraignments*, 60 *J.L. & Econ.* 529, 555 (2017).

inadequate.²³ In addition, federal “pretrial detention is itself associated with increased likelihood of a prison sentence and with increased sentence length,” even after controlling for criminal history, offense severity, and socio-economic variables.²⁴ These stark statistics must also be considered in light of the fact that 99% of federal defendants are not rearrested for a violent crime while on pretrial release.²⁵ In other words, pretrial detention imposes enormous costs on criminal defendants, their loved ones, and the community, in a counterproductive attempt to prevent crimes that are extremely unlikely to happen in the first place.

There are also significant fiscal costs associated with high federal pretrial detention rates. As of 2016, the average pretrial detention period was 255 days (although several districts averaged over 400 days in pretrial detention).²⁶ Pretrial detention costs an average of \$73 per day per detainee, while pretrial supervision costs an average of just \$7 per day.²⁷

II. [CLIENT] Should Be Released on Bond with Conditions.

This Court should [follow Pretrial Services’ recommendation and] release [CLIENT] with conditions. In this case, the statute creates a rebuttable presumption “that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the person as required and the safety of any other person and the community.” § 3142(e)(3). However, release is warranted here because there are numerous facts under § 3142(g) that rebut the presumption of detention

²³ See Laura M. Maruschak et al., *Medical Problems of State and Federal Prisoners and Jail Inmates*, Bureau of Just. Stat., at 9 (2015), archived at <https://perma.cc/HGT9-7WLL> (comparing healthcare in prisons and jails); see also Faye S. Taxman et al., *Drug Treatment Services for Adult Offenders: The State of the State*, 32 J. Substance Abuse Treatment 239, 247, 249 (2007), archived at <https://perma.cc/G55Z-4KQH>.

²⁴ James C. Oleson et al., *The Sentencing Consequences of Federal Pretrial Supervision*, 63 Crime & Delinquency 313, 325 (2014), archived at <https://perma.cc/QAW9-PYYV>.

²⁵ Thomas H. Cohen et al., *Revalidating the Federal Pretrial Risk Assessment Instrument: A Research Summary*, 82(2) Fed. Prob. 23, 26 (2018), archived at <https://perma.cc/8VM9-JH9T>.

²⁶ Austin, *supra* note 1, at 53.

²⁷ *Id.* Thus, 255 days of pretrial detention would cost taxpayers an average of \$18,615 per detainee, while pretrial supervision for the same time would cost an average of \$1,785.

and demonstrate that there are conditions of release that will reasonably assure both [CLIENT's] appearance in court and the safety of the community.

As the Supreme Court held in *Salerno*, “[i]n our society liberty is the norm, and detention prior to trial . . . is the carefully limited exception.” 481 U.S. at 755. This presumption of release is encapsulated in the BRA, 18 U.S.C. § 3142. The statute states that the Court “shall order” pretrial release, § 3142(b), except in certain narrow circumstances. Even if the Court determines under § 3142(c) that an unsecured bond is not sufficient, the Court “shall order” release subject to “the least restrictive further condition[s]” that will “*reasonably assure*” the defendant’s appearance in court and the safety of the community. § 3142(c)(1) (emphasis added). Under this statutory scheme, “it is only a ‘limited group of offenders’ who should be detained pending trial.” *United States v. Shakur*, 817 F.2d 189, 195 (2d Cir. 1987) (quoting S. Rep. No. 98-225, at 7 (1984), as reprinted in 1984 U.S.C.C.A.N. 3182, 3189); see also *United States v. Byrd*, 969 F.2d 106, 109 (5th Cir. 1992) (“There can be no doubt that this Act clearly favors nondetention.”).

III. The Presumption of Detention Can Be Easily Rebutted and, Once Rebutted, Must Be Considered Alongside All of the Evidence That Weighs in Favor of Release.

The law is clear that (1) very little is required for a defendant to rebut the presumption, and (2) courts must weigh the rebutted presumption against every factor that militates in favor of release before detaining a defendant. In addition, it is impermissible to detain a defendant in a presumption case based solely on evidence of past dangerousness, the nature of the crime charged, or the weight of the evidence.

A. Rebutting the Presumption

Very little is required for a defendant to rebut the presumption of detention. A defendant simply needs to produce “some evidence that he will not flee or endanger the community if

released.” *Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707; *see also United States v. Jessup*, 757 F.2d 378, 384 (1st Cir. 1985), *abrogated on other grounds by United States v. O’Brien*, 895 F.2d 810 (1st Cir. 1990) (“[T]o rebut the presumption, the defendant must produce some evidence.”); *United States v. Gamble*, No. 20-3009, 2020 U.S. App. LEXIS 11558 at *1–2 (D.C. Cir. Apr. 10, 2020) (holding that “[t]he district court erred in concluding that appellant failed to meet his burden of production to rebut the statutory presumption” regarding dangerousness because “appellant did ‘offer some credible evidence contrary to the statutory presumption,’” including information that he had a job offer) (unpublished) (quoting *United States v. Alatishe*, 768 F.2d 364, 371 (D.C. Cir. 1985)).

This “burden of production is not a heavy one to meet.” *Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707. Indeed, the presumption of detention is rebutted by “[a]ny evidence favorable to a defendant that comes within a category listed in § 3142(g) . . . including evidence of their marital, family and employment status, ties to and role in the community . . . and other types of evidence encompassed in § 3142(g)(3).” *Id.* (emphasis added); *Jessup*, 757 F.2d at 384. Any “evidence of economic and social stability” can rebut the presumption. *Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707. As long as a defendant “come[s] forward with some evidence” pursuant to § 3142(g), the presumption of flight risk and dangerousness is definitively rebutted. *Id.* (“Once this burden of production is met, the presumption is ‘rebutted.’”) (quoting *Jessup*, 757 F.2d at 384); *see also O’Brien*, 895 F.2d at 816 (finding presumption of flight risk rebutted by evidence of effectiveness of electronic monitoring ankle bracelet together with posting of defendant’s home).²⁸ The government bears

²⁸ To rebut the presumption of flight risk, for example, a defendant does not “have to *prove* that he would not flee—*i.e.*, he would [not] have to *persuade* the judicial officer on the point. [Instead], he would only have to introduce a certain amount of evidence contrary to the presumed fact.” *Jessup*, 757 F.2d at 380–81; *accord Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707.

the burden of *persuasion* at all times. *Id.*; *Jessup*, 757 F.2d at 384; *United States v. Chimurenga*, 760 F.2d 400, 405 (2d Cir. 1985).

In *Dominguez*, for example, the Seventh Circuit determined that the defendants had sufficiently rebutted the presumption of detention by introducing fairly minimal evidence about their employment and family ties. 783 F.2d at 707. Both defendants were Cuban immigrants who were not U.S. citizens but had been in the country lawfully for five years, and neither had a criminal record. *Id.* One of the defendants was married and had family members in the United States; both were employed. *Id.* These facts alone were sufficient for the Seventh Circuit to find that defendants had rebutted the presumption. *Id.*

B. Weighing the Rebutted Presumption

After the presumption is rebutted, the Court must weigh the presumption against all of the other evidence about the defendant's history and characteristics that tilts the scale in favor of release. *See Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707 (“[T]he rebutted presumption is not erased. Instead it remains in the case as an evidentiary finding militating against release, to be weighed along with other evidence relevant to factors listed in § 3142(g).”); *Jessup*, 757 F.2d at 384 (holding that the judge should consider the rebutted presumption along with the § 3142(g) factors). The Court should not give the presumption undue weight if evidence relating to other § 3142(g) factors supports release.

C. Forbidden Considerations in a Presumption Case

A judge may not detain a defendant in a presumption case based solely on (1) evidence of past dangerousness, (2) the nature and seriousness of the crime charged, or (3) the weight of the evidence against him. First, even if the presumption is not rebutted, a judge is prohibited from detaining a defendant “based on evidence that he has been a danger in the past, except to the

extent that his past conduct suggests the likelihood of future misconduct.” *Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707. Even when a defendant is charged with a serious crime or has a significant criminal history, there may be release conditions that will reasonably assure the safety of the community. *Id.* Second, to rebut the presumption of dangerousness, a defendant need not “demonstrate that narcotics trafficking [or another serious crime] is not dangerous to the community.” *Id.* at 706. Instead, this Court must analyze the defendant’s individual characteristics under § 3142(g). Third, the Court is forbidden from relying solely on the weight of the evidence to detain a defendant in a presumption case. A defendant is not required to “‘rebut’ the government’s showing of probable cause to believe that he is guilty of the crimes charged.” *Id.*

IV. The Presumption of Detention Is Rebutted in This Case.

As detailed below, there is more than “some evidence that [CLIENT] will not flee or endanger the community if released.” *Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707. Accordingly, the presumption is rebutted in this case. [FILL IN THE BELOW CATEGORIES BASED ON THE SPECIFICS OF YOUR CASE; ADD ADDITIONAL § 3142(g) CATEGORIES AS NEEDED.] [CLIENT] has presented evidence that...

Family Ties

Ties to the Community

Employment History

No Criminal History/Limited Criminal History/Stale Criminal History

No History of Nonappearance

No History of Drug or Alcohol Abuse

The foregoing facts definitively rebut the presumption of detention in this case.

V. Regardless of the Presumption, [CLIENT] Must Be Released Because There are Conditions That Will Reasonably Assure Appearance and Safety.

Regardless of whether this Court finds that the presumption of detention is rebutted, [CLIENT] must be released because there are conditions that will reasonably assure the safety of the community and [CLIENT's] appearance in court. A defendant cannot be detained “unless a finding is made that no release conditions ‘will reasonably assure . . . the safety of the community’” and the defendant’s appearance in court. *Dominguez*, 783 F.2d at 707 (quoting § 3142(e)). Here, the government has not carried its high burden of proving by clear and convincing evidence that there are *no* release conditions that will reasonably assure the safety of the community. *See id.* at 708 n.8. The government also has not proved by a preponderance of the evidence that there are no conditions that would reasonably assure [CLIENT's] appearance in court. Thus, [CLIENT] cannot be detained.

The following conditions of release under § 3142(c)(1)(B), and any other conditions the Court deems necessary, will reasonably assure [CLIENT's] appearance in court and the safety of the community. [CHOOSE AMONG THE BELOW BASED ON THE SPECIFICS OF YOUR CASE.]

- Place [CLIENT] in custody of third-party custodian “who agrees to assume supervision and to report any violation of a release condition to the court” [§ 3142(c)(1)(B)(i)] [Be sure to name the third-party custodian and explain why that person is appropriate.]
- Maintain or actively seek employment [(ii)]
- Maintain or commence an educational program [(iii)]
- Follow restrictions on “personal associations, place of abode, or travel” [(iv)]
 - Can include electronic monitoring, GPS monitoring, home detention (which allows defendant to leave for employment/schooling/etc.), home incarceration (re: 24-hour lockdown).
 - Can include residence at a halfway house or community corrections center.
- Avoid “all contact with an alleged victim of the crime and with a potential witness who may testify concerning the offense” [(v)]
- Report on a “regular basis” to PTS or some other agency [(vi)]

- Comply with a curfew [(vii)]
- Refrain from possessing “a firearm, destructive device, or other dangerous weapon” [(viii)]
- Refrain from “excessive use of alcohol” [(ix)]
- Refrain from “any use of a narcotic drug or other controlled substance . . . without a prescription” [(ix)]
- Undergo “medical, psychological, or psychiatric treatment, including treatment for drug or alcohol dependency” [(x)] [If possible, research and suggest a program.]
- Post “property of a sufficient unencumbered value, including money” [(xi)]
- Post a “bail bond with solvent sureties” [(xii)]
- Require [CLIENT] to “return to custody for specified hours following release for employment, schooling, or other limited purposes” [(xiii)]
- “[A]ny other condition that is reasonably necessary to assure the appearance of the person as required and to assure the safety of any other person and the community.” [(xiv) (emphasis added)] [Think creatively about other conditions that will reasonably assure your CLIENT’s presence in court and the safety of the community.]

Because there are conditions of release that will reasonably assure [CLIENT’S] appearance in court and the safety of the community, [he/she] should be released.

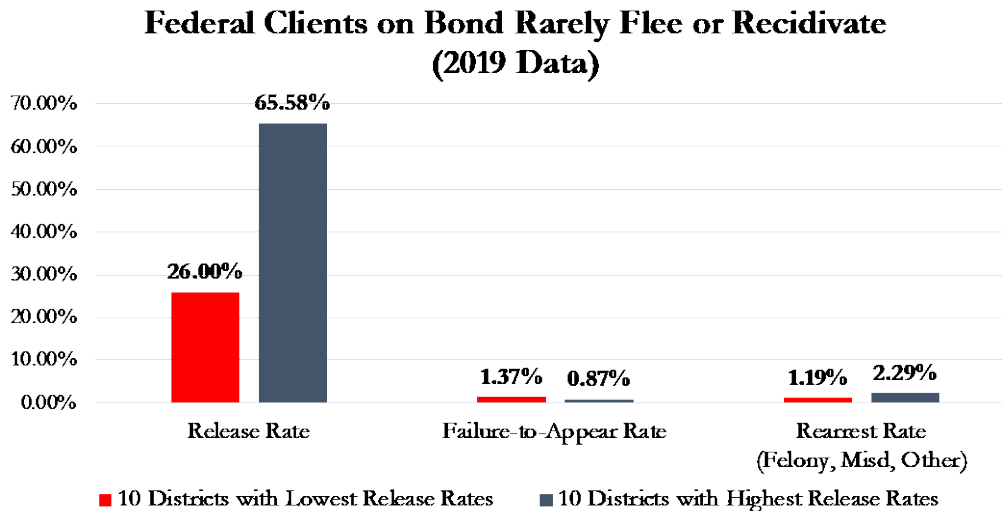
VI. Statistics Showing that It Is Extraordinarily Rare for Defendants on Bond to Flee or Recidivate Further Demonstrate that the Foregoing Conditions of Release Will Reasonably Assure Appearance and Safety.

It is not necessary to detain [CLIENT] to meet the primary goals of the BRA, which are to reasonably assure appearance in court and community safety. In this case, this Court should be guided by AO statistics showing that nearly everyone released pending trial in the federal system appears in court and does not reoffend. In fact, in 2019, 99% of released federal defendants nationwide appeared for court as required and 98% did not commit new crimes on bond.²⁹

Moreover, when release rates increase, crime and flight do not. A near-perfect compliance rate on bond is seen equally in federal districts with very high release rates and those

²⁹ App. 1, AO Table H-15 (Dec. 31, 2019), available at Mot. for Bond, *United States v. Rodriguez*, No. 19-CR-77 (E.D. Wis. Apr. 2, 2020), ECF No. 41, Ex. 1, archived at <https://perma.cc/LYG4-AX4H> (showing a nationwide failure-to-appear rate of 1.2% and a rearrest rate of 1.9%).

with very low release rates.³⁰ Even in districts that release two-thirds of all federal defendants on bond, fewer than 1% fail to appear in court and 2% are rearrested while released.³¹ The below chart reflects this data:



The bond statistics for this district likewise strongly suggest that [CLIENT] should be released. In this district, released federal defendants appeared for court [calculate percentage of defendants who failed to appear while released using Appendix 1, Table H-15]% of the time in 2019, and only [calculate percentage of defendants who were rearrested while released using

³⁰ The data showing near-perfect compliance on bond is illustrated in the chart, “Federal Clients on Bond Rarely Flee or Recidivate.” The districts with the highest and lowest release rates were identified using the version of AO Table H-14A for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2019. *See* App. 2, AO Table H-14A (Dec. 31, 2019), <https://perma.cc/32XF-2S42>. The failure-to-appear and rearrest rates for these districts were calculated using App 1, AO Table H-15. With regard to flight, the ten federal districts with the lowest release rates (average 26.00%) have an average failure-to-appear rate of 1.37%, while the ten districts with the highest release rates (average 65.58%) have an *even lower* failure-to-appear rate of 0.87%. *See* App. 1; App. 2. With regard to recidivism, the ten districts with the lowest release rates have an average rearrest rate on bond of 1.19%, while the ten districts with the highest release rates have an average rearrest rate of 2.29%. *See* App. 1; App. 2. The districts with the lowest release rates are, from lowest to highest, S.D. California, W.D. Arkansas, E.D. Tennessee, S.D. Texas, E.D. Missouri, N.D. Indiana, E.D. Oklahoma, W.D. Texas, W.D. North Carolina, C.D. Illinois; the districts with the highest release rates are, from lowest to highest, E.D. Michigan, E.D. Arkansas, D. New Jersey, E.D. New York, D. Maine, D. Connecticut, W.D. New York, W.D. Washington, D. Guam, D. Northern Mariana Islands. *See* App. 2.

³¹ *See* App. 1; App. 2.

Appendix 1, Table H-15] % of defendants were rearrested on release. *See* App. 1, AO Table H-15. Yet despite the statistically low risk of flight and recidivism that defendants like [CLIENT] pose, the government recommends detention in 77% of cases nationwide and in [find percentage associated with your district in using Appendix 3, Table H-3] % of cases in this district. *See* App. 3, AO Table H-3. Clearly the government's detention requests are not tailored to the low risk of flight and recidivism that defendants in this district and elsewhere pose.

[CLIENT] must be released because the government has not established that [he/she] would be among the approximately 1% of defendants who fail to appear in court or the 2% who are rearrested on bond. Detaining [CLIENT] without such evidence violates their constitutionally protected liberty interest.

VII. Conclusion

For these reasons, [CLIENT] respectfully requests that this Court find that the presumption has been rebutted and release [him/her] with conditions.

Dated:

Respectfully submitted,

/s/
[Attorney Name]
Attorney for [CLIENT]

Note to Counsel re Section VI Data and the Appendices

- If you don't want to do the district-specific FTA/re-arrest calculations, you can cut that entire paragraph from Section VI and leave the rest of that section as is.
- **To calculate the percentage of defendants in your district who failed to appear in court while on bond, use Appendix 1, Table H-15. Follow these steps:**
 - Find your district in the first column on the left, organized by circuit.
 - For your district, find the total number of released clients by going to the highlighted column "Cases in Release Status."
 - For your district, find the total number of failures to appear violations by going to the highlighted column, "FTA Violations."
 - Divide the total FTA Violations for your district by the total Cases In Release Status for your district.
 - Multiply the result by 100 to get the percentage.
 - Example: For D. Maine, there was 1 FTA Violation and 262 Cases In Release Status. Divide 1 by 262, getting 0.0038. Multiply that value by 100 to get 0.38%.
- **To calculate the percentage of defendants in your district who were rearrested while on bond, use Appendix 1, Table H-15. Follow these steps:**
 - Find your district in the first column on the left, organized by circuit.
 - For your district, find the total number of released clients by going to the highlighted column "Cases in Release Status."
 - For your district, find the total number of people who violated bond by getting rearrested by going to the highlighted column, "Rearrest Violations."
 - Add up the 3 types of Rearrest Violations for your district by adding together the numbers in the columns titled Felony + Misdemeanor + Other. That sum represents the total Rearrest Violations for your district.
 - Divide the total Rearrest Violations for your district by the Cases In Release Status for your district.
 - Multiply the result by 100 to get the percentage.
 - Example: For D. Maine, there were 9 Felony Rearrests, 2 Misdemeanor Rearrests, and 0 Other. The sum of these three values is 11. That is the total number of Rearrest Violations. There are 262 Cases In Release Status. Divide 11 by 262, getting 0.0419. Multiply that value by 100 to get 4.19%.

APPENDIX 1

AO TABLE H-15 (Dec. 31, 2019)

available at Mot. for Bond, *United States v. Rodriguez*, No. 19-CR-77 (E.D. Wis. Apr. 2, 2020), ECF No. 41, Ex. 1, archived at <https://perma.cc/LYG4-AX4H>

APPENDIX 2

AO TABLE H-14A (Dec. 31, 2019)

<https://perma.cc/32XF-2S42>

APPENDIX 3

AO TABLE H-3 (Sept. 30, 3019)

https://www.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/data_tables/jb_h3_0930.2019.pdf