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NOTICE REGARDING RELEASE OF PRISONER INFORMATION

Prisoner information has been ruled by U.S. Marshals Service (USMS) Office of General Counsel as LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE. In order to provide authorized officials with the prisoner information they need and to protect against the unlawful dissemination of restricted prisoner information to the general public, the USMS for the Middle District of North Carolina (NCM) will no longer provide prisoner information by telephone.

Beginning July 18, 2011, federal law enforcement officials, defense attorneys of record and other authorized officials are required to send a request via email for information regarding prisoner location, register numbers, arrest/incarceration dates, and detainer information. Requests from defense attorney staff must list the actual defense attorney in the CC: portion of the email. Emails requesting prisoner information that are not in full compliance will receive a USMS response, but no information.

To obtain prisoner information please send an email request to: locator.ncm@usdoj.gov
E-mail subject lines should read: Prisoner Info – *prisoner's last name*.
In the body of the e-mail, list the prisoner's full name, other identifiers and the nature of the request.

Please note that prisoner locations may change at any time. As is currently the case, authorized officials will be responsible for confirming prisoner locations (facility housed) by calling that facility.

The USMS cannot disclose any prisoner information to family members or the general public. Please do not refer family members of prisoners to the USMS. The USMS automatic answering attendant (336) 332-8700 will advise family members of the USMS policy. For information regarding prisoners that have been sentenced and transferred to the Bureau of Prisons, please use www.bop.gov.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We believe this will facilitate the delivery of information to those who need it and also protect against any unauthorized release. Please advise your agents and staff of this notice. As always please feel free to contact me or Chief Deputy E. W. Hurley if you experience any issues or need additional information.


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