

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATHENS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

JAVIOUS MATTOX, *and*,
MALIK TUCKER,

Defendants.

CRIMINAL ACTION NOS.
3:25-cr-00006-TES-CHW-1
3:25-cr-00006-TES-CHW-2

ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED MOTION TO CONTINUE

Before the Court is the United States of America's Unopposed Motion For Continuance In the Interest of Justice. [Doc. 71]. Defense counsel does not oppose this motion. [Doc. 71, p. 1]. On March 12, 2025, the Grand Jury returned a three-count Indictment [Doc. 33] charging Defendant Javious Mattox and Defendant Malik Tucker with Conspiracy to Interfere with Commerce by Robbery in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1951, Interference with Commerce by Robbery in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1951 and 2, and Use of a Firearm During and in Relation to a Crime of Violence in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(c)(1)(A) and 2.

Defendants pled "not guilty" at their arraignments, and were released on a secured bond pending trial. [Doc. 23]; [Doc. 27]; [Doc. 31]; [Doc. 32]; [Doc. 43]; [Doc. 44]; [Doc. 45]. The Court has continued this case seven times, most recently scheduling the Pretrial Conference for January 12, 2026, and the trial for February 2026. *See* [Doc. 70].

Counsel for the United States of America requests a continuance to evaluate its position after the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals' recent decision in *United States v. Jy'Quale Samari Grable*, No. 23-10544, 2026 WL 25300 (11th Cir. Jan. 5, 2026). [Doc. 71, ¶ 3]. The Court finds that granting a continuance serves the ends of justice. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A). The Court further finds that the ends of justice served by granting the United States of America's request outweigh the interests of Defendant and the public in a speedy trial. *See id.* Specifically, failure to grant this continuance would deny the government "the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence." *Id.* at § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv). For this reason, the Court **GRANTS** the United States of America's Unopposed Motion for Continuance In The Interest of Justice. [Doc. 71]. The Court **CONTINUES** the Pretrial Conference until **February 11, 2026**, and **CONTINUES** the trial of this matter until **March 23, 2026, as to both Defendants**. The delay occasioned by this continuance shall be deemed excludable pursuant to the provisions of the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A) and 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv).

SO ORDERED, this 12th day of January, 2026.

S/ Tilman E. Self, III

TILMAN E. SELF, III, JUDGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT