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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

-VS-

MAXWELL DELVON JONES,

Defendant.

No. 2:13-CR-0052-WFN-1

ORDER REDUCING SENTENCE

After entering an advisory Order recommending that Defendant's Motion to Reduce Sentence be granted, the Ninth Circuit remanded to this Court for the limited purpose of deciding the pending Motion. As noted in the previous Order, Defendant has exhausted his claim with the Bureau of Prisons [BOP]. Mr. Jones must demonstrate that "(i) extraordinary and compelling reasons warrant such a reduction; or (ii) the defendant is at least 70 years of age, has served at least 30 years in prison, pursuant to a sentence imposed under section $3559(c) \dots$ and a determination has been made by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons that the defendant is not a danger to the safety of any other person or the community, as provided under section 3142(g)." 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(1)(A). As Defendant is not over 70 years old, he must demonstrate that extraordinary and compelling reasons warrant reduction.

Defendant has demonstrated compelling reasons warranting a sentence reduction. Defendant suffers from health issues that increase his risk of death if he contracts COVID-19. He has submitted documentation of obesity as well as hypertension. ECF No. 303. Evidence demonstrates that he faces an increased chance of serious illness and death if he were to contract COVID-19. Mr. Jones's release date is October 18, 2020. He poses no additional threat to the community now than he will in a month's time. Release is subject to his state detainer. The Court expresses no opinion as to the advisability of

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modification of his state sentence. Consequently, the Court concludes that Defendant has presented compelling reasons for a modification of his sentence. The Court has reviewed the file and Motion and is fully informed. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Defendant's Motion to Reduce Sentence, filed May 6, 2020, ECF No. 291, is GRANTED.

The District Court Executive is directed to file this Order and provide copies to counsel.

DATED this 1st day of October, 2020.

WM. FREMMING NIELSEN SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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