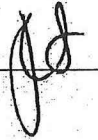


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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CASE NO. 8:18-cr-158-T-17MAP

JOSHUA DAVID JORDAN

PLEA AGREEMENT

Pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(c), the United States of America, by Maria Chapa Lopez, United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida, and the defendant, Joshua David Jordan, and the attorney for the defendant, Nicole Hardin, Esquire, mutually agree as follows:

A. Particularized Terms

1. Counts Pleading To

The defendant shall enter a plea of guilty to Counts Two, Four, and Five of the Second Superseding Indictment.

Counts Two and Four both charge the defendant with knowingly using, carrying, brandishing, and discharging a firearm during and in relation to a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2119, which is a crime of violence (attempted carjacking) for which the defendant may be prosecuted in a Court of the United States, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)(iii).

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Count Five charges the defendant with maliciously damaging and destroying, and attempting to damage and destroy, by means of fire, a vehicle used in activity affecting interstate commerce, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 844(i).

2. Minimum and Maximum Penalties

Counts Two and Four both carry a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years' imprisonment, a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, a term of supervised release not to exceed 5 years, a fine not to exceed \$250,000, and a special assessment of \$100. By operation of law, the sentences attached to both Count Two and Count Four must run consecutively to any other sentence.

Count Five carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years' imprisonment, a maximum sentence of 20 years' imprisonment, a fine not to exceed \$250,000, a term of supervised release not to exceed 3 years, and a special assessment of \$100.

With respect to certain offenses, the Court shall order the defendant to make restitution to any victim of the offense, and with respect to other offenses, the Court may order the defendant to make restitution to any victim of the offense, or to the community, as set forth below.

3. *Alleyne v. United States* and *Apprendi v. New Jersey*

Under *Alleyne v. United States*, 133 S. Ct. 2151 (2013), and *Apprendi v. New Jersey*, 530 U.S. 466 (2000), a minimum sentence of 20 years' imprisonment

and a maximum sentence of life imprisonment may be imposed on Counts Two and Four, combined, because the following facts have been admitted by the defendant and are established by this plea of guilty: on two different occasions, the defendant knowingly used, carried, brandished, and discharged a firearm during and in relation to a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2119 (attempted carjacking), a crime of violence for which the defendant may be prosecuted in a Court of the United States.

4. Elements of the Offenses

The defendant acknowledges understanding the nature and elements of the offenses with which defendant has been charged and to which defendant is pleading guilty.

The elements of Counts Two and Four are:

- First: The defendant committed a "crime of violence" for which he may prosecuted in a Court of the United States, that is attempted carjacking in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2119;
- Second: The defendant knowingly used, carried, brandished, and discharged a firearm; and
- Third: The defendant used, carried, or brandished during and in relation to the above-described "crime of violence," as that term is defined in 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(3).

The elements of Count Five are:

- First: The defendant damaged or destroyed, or attempted to damage or destroy, a vehicle by means of a fire or explosive;

Second: The defendant acted intentionally or with deliberate disregard of the likelihood that damage or injury would result from his acts; and

Third: The vehicle that the defendant damaged or destroyed, or attempted to damage or destroy, was used in activity affecting interstate or foreign commerce

5. Counts Dismissed

At the time of sentencing, the remaining counts against the defendant—Counts One and Three of the second superseding indictment, as well as the entire original indictment and first superseding indictment—will be dismissed pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(c)(1)(A).

6. No Further Charges

If the Court accepts this plea agreement, the United States Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida agrees not to charge defendant with committing any other federal criminal offenses known to this United States Attorney's Office at the time of the execution of this agreement, related to the conduct giving rise to this plea agreement.

7. Restitution to Victims of the Offenses of Conviction – Agreed Upon Amounts

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3663(a)(3) and/or 3663A(a)(3), defendant agrees to make restitution to Next Level Turf in the amount of \$80,000 and Billionaire's Smoke Shop in the amount of \$2,800.

8. Guidelines Sentence

Pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(c)(1)(B), the United States will recommend to the Court that the defendant be sentenced within the defendant's applicable guidelines range as determined by the Court pursuant to the United States Sentencing Guidelines, as adjusted by any departure the United States has agreed to recommend in this plea agreement. The parties understand that such a recommendation is not binding on the Court and that, if it is not accepted by this Court, neither the United States nor the defendant will be allowed to withdraw from the plea agreement, and the defendant will not be allowed to withdraw from the plea of guilty.

9. Acceptance of Responsibility - Three Levels

At the time of sentencing, and in the event that no adverse information is received suggesting such a recommendation to be unwarranted, the United States will recommend to the Court that the defendant receive a three-level downward adjustment for acceptance of responsibility, pursuant to USSG §3E1.1(a). The defendant understands that this recommendation or request is not binding on the Court, and if not accepted by the Court, the defendant will not be allowed to withdraw from the plea.

Further, at the time of sentencing, if the defendant's offense level prior to operation of subsection (a) is level 16 or greater, and if the defendant

complies with the provisions of USSG §3E1.1(b) and all terms of this Plea Agreement, including but not limited to, the timely submission of the financial affidavit referenced in Paragraph B.5., the United States agrees to file a motion pursuant to USSG §3E1.1(b) for a downward adjustment of one additional level. The defendant understands that the determination as to whether the defendant has qualified for a downward adjustment of a third level for acceptance of responsibility rests solely with the United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida, and the defendant agrees that the defendant cannot and will not challenge that determination, whether by appeal, collateral attack, or otherwise.

10. Forfeiture of Assets

The defendant agrees to forfeit to the United States immediately and voluntarily any and all assets and property, or portions thereof, subject to forfeiture, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 844(c), 924(d), 982(a)(2), and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), whether in the possession or control of the United States, the defendant or defendant's nominees.

The defendant agrees and consents to the forfeiture of these assets pursuant to any federal criminal, civil judicial or administrative forfeiture action. The defendant also agrees to waive all constitutional, statutory and procedural challenges (including direct appeal, habeas corpus, or any other means) to any forfeiture carried out in accordance with this Plea Agreement on any grounds,

including that the forfeiture described herein constitutes an excessive fine, was not properly noticed in the charging instrument, addressed by the Court at the time of the guilty plea, announced at sentencing, or incorporated into the judgment.

If the United States seeks the forfeiture of specific assets pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4), the defendant agrees that the preliminary order of forfeiture will satisfy the notice requirement and will be final as to the defendant at the time it is entered. In the event the forfeiture is omitted from the judgment, the defendant agrees that the forfeiture order may be incorporated into the written judgment at any time pursuant to Rule 36.

The defendant agrees to take all steps necessary to identify and locate all property subject to forfeiture and to transfer custody of such property to the United States before the defendant's sentencing. To that end, the defendant agrees to make a full and complete disclosure of all assets over which defendant exercises control directly or indirectly, including all assets held by nominees, to execute any documents requested by the United States to obtain from any other parties by lawful means any records of assets owned by the defendant, and to consent to the release of the defendant's tax returns for the previous five years. The defendant further agrees to be interviewed by the government, prior to and after sentencing, regarding such assets and their connection to criminal conduct. The defendant further agrees to be polygraphed on the issue of assets, if it is

deemed necessary by the United States. The defendant agrees that Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11 and USSG § 1B1.8 will not protect from forfeiture assets disclosed by the defendant as part of the defendant's cooperation.

The defendant agrees to take all steps necessary to assist the government in obtaining clear title to the forfeitable assets before the defendant's sentencing. In addition to providing full and complete information about forfeitable assets, these steps include, but are not limited to, the surrender of title, the signing of a consent decree of forfeiture, and signing of any other documents necessary to effectuate such transfers.

Forfeiture of the defendant's assets shall not be treated as satisfaction of any fine, restitution, cost of imprisonment, or any other penalty the Court may impose upon the defendant in addition to forfeiture.

The defendant agrees that, in the event the Court determines that the defendant has breached this section of the Plea Agreement, the defendant may be found ineligible for a reduction in the Guidelines calculation for acceptance of responsibility and substantial assistance, and may be eligible for an obstruction of justice enhancement.

The defendant agrees that the forfeiture provisions of this plea agreement are intended to, and will, survive the defendant, notwithstanding the abatement of any underlying criminal conviction after the execution of this

agreement. The forfeitability of any particular property pursuant to this agreement shall be determined as if the defendant had survived, and that determination shall be binding upon defendant's heirs, successors and assigns until the agreed forfeiture, including any agreed forfeiture amount, is collected in full.

B. Standard Terms and Conditions

1. Restitution, Special Assessment and Fine

The defendant understands and agrees that the Court, in addition to or in lieu of any other penalty, shall order the defendant to make restitution to any victim of the offense(s), pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3663A, for all offenses described in 18 U.S.C. § 3663A(c)(1); and the Court may order the defendant to make restitution to any victim of the offense(s), pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3663, including restitution as to all counts charged, whether or not the defendant enters a plea of guilty to such counts, and whether or not such counts are dismissed pursuant to this agreement. The defendant further understands that compliance with any restitution payment plan imposed by the Court in no way precludes the United States from simultaneously pursuing other statutory remedies for collecting restitution (28 U.S.C. § 3003(b)(2)), including, but not limited to,

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garnishment and execution, pursuant to the Mandatory Victims Restitution Act, in order to ensure that the defendant's restitution obligation is satisfied.

On each count to which a plea of guilty is entered, the Court shall impose a special assessment pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3013. The special assessment is due on the date of sentencing.

The defendant understands that this agreement imposes no limitation as to fine.

2. Supervised Release

The defendant understands that the offense(s) to which the defendant is pleading provide(s) for imposition of a term of supervised release upon release from imprisonment, and that, if the defendant should violate the conditions of release, the defendant would be subject to a further term of imprisonment.

3. Immigration Consequences of Pleading Guilty

The defendant has been advised and understands that, upon conviction, a defendant who is not a United States citizen may be removed from the United States, denied citizenship, and denied admission to the United States in the future.

4. Sentencing Information

The United States reserves its right and obligation to report to the Court and the United States Probation Office all information concerning the background, character, and conduct of the defendant, to provide relevant factual information, including the totality of the defendant's criminal activities, if any, not limited to the count(s) to which defendant pleads, to respond to comments made by the defendant or defendant's counsel, and to correct any misstatements or inaccuracies. The United States further reserves its right to make any recommendations it deems appropriate regarding the disposition of this case, subject to any limitations set forth herein, if any.

5. Financial Disclosures

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(d)(3) and Fed. R. Crim. P. 32(d)(2)(A)(ii), the defendant agrees to complete and submit to the United States Attorney's Office within 30 days of execution of this agreement an affidavit reflecting the defendant's financial condition. The defendant promises that his financial statement and disclosures will be complete, accurate and truthful and will include all assets in which he has any interest or over which the defendant exercises control, directly or indirectly, including those held by a spouse, dependent, nominee or other third party. The defendant further agrees to execute any documents requested by the United States needed to obtain from any third

parties any records of assets owned by the defendant, directly or through a nominee, and, by the execution of this Plea Agreement, consents to the release of the defendant's tax returns for the previous five years. The defendant similarly agrees and authorizes the United States Attorney's Office to provide to, and obtain from, the United States Probation Office, the financial affidavit, any of the defendant's federal, state, and local tax returns, bank records and any other financial information concerning the defendant, for the purpose of making any recommendations to the Court and for collecting any assessments, fines, restitution, or forfeiture ordered by the Court. The defendant expressly authorizes the United States Attorney's Office to obtain current credit reports in order to evaluate the defendant's ability to satisfy any financial obligation imposed by the Court.

6. Sentencing Recommendations

It is understood by the parties that the Court is neither a party to nor bound by this agreement. The Court may accept or reject the agreement, or defer a decision until it has had an opportunity to consider the presentence report prepared by the United States Probation Office. The defendant understands and acknowledges that, although the parties are permitted to make recommendations and present arguments to the Court, the sentence will be determined solely by the Court, with the assistance of the United States Probation Office. Defendant

further understands and acknowledges that any discussions between defendant or defendant's attorney and the attorney or other agents for the government regarding any recommendations by the government are not binding on the Court and that, should any recommendations be rejected, defendant will not be permitted to withdraw defendant's plea pursuant to this plea agreement. The government expressly reserves the right to support and defend any decision that the Court may make with regard to the defendant's sentence, whether or not such decision is consistent with the government's recommendations contained herein.

7. Defendant's Waiver of Right to Appeal the Sentence

The defendant agrees that this Court has jurisdiction and authority to impose any sentence up to the statutory maximum and expressly waives the right to appeal defendant's sentence on any ground, including the ground that the Court erred in determining the applicable guidelines range pursuant to the United States Sentencing Guidelines, except (a) the ground that the sentence exceeds the defendant's applicable guidelines range as determined by the Court pursuant to the United States Sentencing Guidelines; (b) the ground that the sentence exceeds the statutory maximum penalty; or (c) the ground that the sentence violates the Eighth Amendment to the Constitution; provided, however, that if the government exercises its right to appeal the sentence imposed, as authorized by

18 U.S.C. § 3742(b), then the defendant is released from his waiver and may appeal the sentence as authorized by 18 U.S.C. § 3742(a).

8. Middle District of Florida Agreement

It is further understood that this agreement is limited to the Office of the United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida. It cannot bind other federal, state, or local prosecuting authorities, although this office will bring defendant's cooperation, if any, to the attention of other prosecuting officers or others, if requested.

9. Filing of Agreement

This agreement shall be presented to the Court, in open court or in camera, in whole or in part, upon a showing of good cause, and filed in this cause, at the time of defendant's entry of a plea of guilty pursuant hereto.

10. Voluntariness

The defendant acknowledges that defendant is entering into this agreement and is pleading guilty freely and voluntarily without reliance upon any discussions between the attorney for the government and the defendant and defendant's attorney and without promise of benefit of any kind (other than the concessions contained herein), and without threats, force, intimidation, or coercion of any kind. The defendant further acknowledges defendant's understanding of the nature of the offense or offenses to which defendant is pleading guilty and the elements thereof, including the penalties provided by law, and defendant's complete satisfaction with the representation and advice received from defendant's undersigned counsel (if any). The defendant also understands that defendant has the right to plead not guilty or to persist in that plea if it has already been made, and that defendant has the right to be tried by a jury with the assistance of counsel, the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against defendant, the right against compulsory self-incrimination, and the right to compulsory process for the attendance of witnesses to testify in defendant's

defense; but, by pleading guilty, defendant waives or gives up those rights and there will be no trial. The defendant further understands that if defendant pleads guilty, the Court may ask defendant questions about the offense or offenses to which defendant pleaded, and if defendant answers those questions under oath, on the record, and in the presence of counsel (if any), defendant's answers may later be used against defendant in a prosecution for perjury or false statement. The defendant also understands that defendant will be adjudicated guilty of the offenses to which defendant has pleaded and, if any of such offenses are felonies, may thereby be deprived of certain rights, such as the right to vote, to hold public office, to serve on a jury, or to have possession of firearms.

11. Factual Basis

Defendant is pleading guilty because defendant is in fact guilty. The defendant certifies that defendant does hereby admit that the facts set forth below are true, and were this case to go to trial, the United States would be able to prove those specific facts and others beyond a reasonable doubt.

FACTS

On October 1, 2017, the defendant, Joshua David Jordan, unlawfully and without permission, took G.J.'s black moped from the Publix grocery store at 6001 Nebraska Ave N., Tampa, Florida.

On October 3, 2017, at approximately 9:50 p.m., Jordan drove the stolen moped to a residence in Thonotosassa, Florida. There, Jordan pointed a loaded semi-automatic firearm at J.M. as she stepped out of a 2017 BMW sedan. He pressed the firearm to her chest and demanded her keys. J.M. activated the car horn and resisted Jordan. Jordan backed away, fired a single shot, and fled on the stolen moped. Jordan was wearing a black and orange mask. The BMW sedan was manufactured in Germany and therefore traveled in and affected interstate and foreign commerce prior to October 3, 2017.

A few minutes later, Jordan approached a 2012 Honda sedan that was stopped at a stop sign at the intersection of Pemberton Creek Drive and Muck Pond Road, Hillsborough County. He was still wearing the black and orange mask. Jordan ran up to the driver's side door and broke a driver's side window. He then pointed a gun at the driver, I.G., and fired off several rounds, striking I.G. once in the back. I.G. drove off and ultimately survived the attack. The Honda sedan was manufactured in Canada and therefore traveled in and affected interstate and foreign commerce prior to October 3, 2017.

Investigators recovered 380 shell casings from both the BMW and Honda crime scenes. An expert witness determined that the shell casings were all fired from the same gun.

Shortly after shooting I.G., Jordan stole a 2016 Isuzu flatbed landscaping truck (worth \$80,000) from Next Level Turf, a landscaping company in Hillsborough County, Florida. The truck's engine was manufactured in Michigan, and the rest of the truck was manufactured in Japan; the vehicle therefore traveled in and affected interstate and foreign commerce prior to October 3, 2017. The truck bore Next Level Turf's logo. It was a "spray truck," capable of, and used by Next Level Turf to, store, transport, and apply fertilizer and herbicides. At that crime scene, a crime scene technician found Jordan's black and orange mask, and an empty .380 caliber magazine. The stolen moped was recovered next door to Next Level Turf. DNA samples from the black and orange mask, moped, holster, and magazine were subsequently analyzed by expert witnesses. The DNA samples from the black and orange mask and the handlebars of the stolen moped were a match for Jordan's DNA.

As of October 3, 2017, Next Level Turf had been in business for 13 years. It used vehicles outfitted with large holding tanks and mechanical equipment, like the one stolen by Jordan, to provide lawn services, a nation-wide industry, to thousands of customers throughout Central Florida.

Later on October 3, 2017, Jordan drove the stolen Isuzu flatbed landscaping truck to Billionaire's Smoke Shop in Tampa. There, he backed the stolen Isuzu flatbed landscaping truck into the shop's steel overhead garage door

and then drove through fence, causing approximately \$2,800 in damage. At the intersection of Wallace Road and Sandy Curve Drive, Plant City, FL, Jordan set fire to the Isuzu flatbed landscaping truck, resulting in its destruction. An expert fire investigator determined that the cause of the fire was arson.

The above is merely a brief summary of the events, some of the persons involved, and other information relating to this case. It does not include, nor is it intended to include, all of the events, persons involved, or other information relating to this case.

12. Entire Agreement

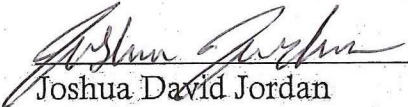
This plea agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the government and the defendant with respect to the aforementioned guilty plea and no other promises, agreements, or representations exist or have been made to the defendant or defendant's attorney with regard to such guilty plea.

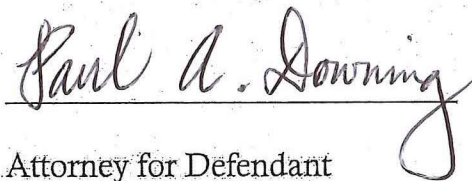
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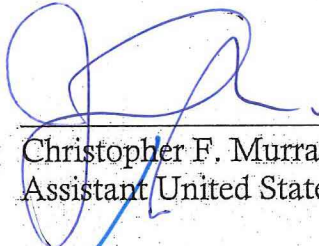
The defendant and defendant's counsel certify that this plea agreement has been read in its entirety by (or has been read to) the defendant and that defendant fully understands its terms.


DATED this 3rd day of September, 2019.

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