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**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CRIMINAL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:21-cr-00569-TNM All Defendants**

Case title: USA v. BENTON et al

Date Filed: 09/09/2021

Assigned to: Judge Trevor N. McFadden

Defendant (1)**JESSE R. BENTON****Pending Counts****Disposition**

18 U.S.C. §371; CONSPIRACY TO
DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES;
Conspiracy
(1)

52 U.S.C. § 30121 and§ 30109(d)(1)(A)(i);
18 U.S.C. § 2; FEDERAL STATUTES,
OTHER; Contributions by Foreign
Nationals and Aiding and Abetting
(2)

52 U.S.C. § 30122 and§ 30109(d)(1)(A)(i);
18 U.S.C. § 2; FEDERAL STATUTES,
OTHER; Contributions in the Name of
Another and Aiding and Abetting
(3)

18 U.S.C. § 1519 and § 2;
DESTRUCTION, ALTERATION OR
FALSIFICATION OF RECORDS IN
FEDERAL INVESTIGATIONS; Causing
False Records and Aiding and Abetting
(4-6)

Highest Offense Level (Opening)

Felony

Terminated Counts**Disposition**

None

Highest Offense Level (Terminated)

None

Complaints

None

Disposition

Assigned to: Judge Trevor N. McFadden

Defendant (2)**ROY DOUGLAS WEAD***also known as*

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Highest Offense Level (Opening)

Felony

Terminated Counts

None

Disposition**Highest Offense Level (Terminated)**

None

Complaints

None

Disposition**Plaintiff**

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| Date Filed | # | Docket Text |
|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| 09/09/2021 | 1 | INDICTMENT as to JESSE R. BENTON (1) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4-6, ROY DOUGLAS WEAD (2) count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4-6. (zltf) (Entered: 09/13/2021) |
| 09/09/2021 | 3 | MOTION to Seal Case by USA as to JESSE R. BENTON, ROY DOUGLAS WEAD. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(zltf) (Entered: 09/13/2021) |
| 09/09/2021 | 4 | ORDER granting 3 Motion to Seal Case as to JESSE R. BENTON (1), ROY DOUGLAS WEAD (2). Signed by Magistrate Judge Zia M. Faruqui on 9/9/2021. (zltf) (Entered: 09/13/2021) |
| 09/15/2021 | 7 | Summons Returned Executed on 9/15/2021 as to JESSE R. BENTON (zltf) (Entered: 09/16/2021) |
| 09/15/2021 | 8 | Summons Returned Executed on 9/15/2021 as to ROY DOUGLAS WEAD (zltf) (Entered: 09/16/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | | ORAL MOTION to Unseal Case by USA as to JESSE R. BENTON. (ztl) (Entered: 09/22/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | | Minute Entry for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Zia M. Faruqui: Initial Appearance/Arraignment held on 9/20/2021 as to Counts 1,2,3,4-6. Plea of Not Guilty entered as to all counts. Defendant present by video. Due Process Order given to the |

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| | | Government. Oral Motion by the Government to Unseal Case as to JESSE R. BENTON (1); heard and granted. Defendant placed on Standard Conditions of Release/\$25,000 surety bond. Status Hearing set for 10/5/2021 at 10:00 AM by Telephonic/VTC before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. Bond Status of Defendant: Defendant Remain on Personal Recognizance; Court Reporter: FTR-Gold; FTR Time Frame: Ctrm 4: [1:52:36-(2:21:28-2:59:29)-3:06:23]; Defense Attorney: David Warrington and Michael Columbo; US Attorney: Rebecca Ross, Michelle Parikh and Michelle Wasserman; Pretrial Officer: Andre Sidbury. (ztl) Modified on 9/22/2021 (ztl). (Entered: 09/22/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | | Case unsealed as to JESSE R. BENTON (1). (ztl) (Entered: 09/22/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | | ORAL MOTION to Unseal Case by USA as to ROY DOUGLAS WEAD(2). (ztl) (Entered: 09/22/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | | Minute Entry for proceedings held before Magistrate Judge Zia M. Faruqi: Initial Appearance/Arrestment held on 9/20/2021 as to Counts 1,2,3,4-6. Plea of Not Guilty entered as to all counts. Defendant present by video. Due Process Order given to the Government. Oral Motion by the Government to Unseal Case as to ROY DOUGLAS WEAD (2); heard and granted. Defendant placed on Standard Conditions of Release. Status Hearing set for 10/5/2021 at 10:00 AM by Telephonic/VTC before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. Bond Status of Defendant: Defendant Remain on Personal Recognizance; Court Reporter: FTR-Gold; FTR Time Frame: Ctrm 4: [1:52:36-(2:21:28-2:59:29)-3:06:23]; Defense Attorney: Jane Raskin and Jay Sekulow; US Attorney: Rebecca Ross, Michelle Parikh and Michelle Wasserman; Pretrial Officer: Andre Sidbury. (ztl) (Entered: 09/22/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | | Case unsealed as to ROY DOUGLAS WEAD (2). (ztl) (Entered: 09/22/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | 9 | ORDER Setting Conditions of Release as to JESSE R. BENTON (1) Personal Recognizance. Signed by Magistrate Judge Zia M. Faruqi on 9/20/2021. (Attachments: # 1 Appearance Bond) (ztl) (Entered: 09/22/2021) |
| 09/20/2021 | 10 | ORDER Setting Conditions of Release as to ROY DOUGLAS WEAD (2) Personal Recognizance. Signed by Magistrate Judge Zia M. Faruqi on 9/20/2021. (Attachment: # 1 Appearance Bond) (ztl) (Entered: 09/22/2021) |

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