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                    IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
                       FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
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                            NORTHERN DIVISION
     UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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          Plaintiff,
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                                    CRIMINAL CASE NO. CCB-17-106
          vs.
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     DANIEL THOMAS HERSL and
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     MARCUS ROOSEVELT TAYLOR,
          Defendants.
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                        Monday, February 12, 2018
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                             Courtroom 1A
                          Baltimore, Maryland
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                      THE HONORABLE CATHERINE C. BLAKE, JUDGE
             BEFORE:
                       (AND A JURY)
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                                 VOLUME XI
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     For the Defendant Marcus Taylor:
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     Jenifer Wicks, Esquire
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     Also Present:
     Special Agent Erika Jensen, FBI
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     TFO John Sieracki
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     Matthew Kerrigan, Government's Trial Technician
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     Crystal Panas, Defense Paralegal
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1 PROCEEDINGS (9:39 a.m.)2 THE COURT: Good morning, everyone. Be seated, 3 please. 4 5 Before we bring in the jury, can I see counsel at the bench. 6 (Bench conference on the record: 7 THE COURT: I just wanted to confirm, especially for 8 defense counsel, that you'd had a chance to discuss with your 9 clients the question and the proposed answer. 10 11 And just to go through it again, I don't know if I put the question into the record last week. So this question came 12 13 in at the end of the day on Thursday. It says [reading]: We have reviewed in detail the 14 15 instructions regarding extortion. We are concerned about the 16 type and extent of consent that would constitute extortion 17 versus a robbery. For example, if an individual is handcuffed by an 18 19 officer, what exact consent must be given that will allow the 20 officer to keep the money for himself (unlawfully). 21 So that was the question. What we discussed in chambers was that I would -- and 22 23 I think perhaps this question I can read aloud back to the jury to make sure they all know what the question was as well and 24 25 then say -- we have the jury coming in -- that I am not

completely clear about the focus of their question. And so for now, I am going to refer them back to the instructions.

As far as the racketeering acts alleged in Counts 1 and 2 under Maryland law, the definitions of -- the whole thing, the definitions of robbery and extortion at Page 29 through 31, in part there is a distinction between the types of extortion and read to them just the little pieces, that property was given with consent -- I'm not reading the full sentence, but it's on Page 31 -- to the defendant, who knew the property was given because of the official position.

So I'd read that and then say -- and then read the definition of "wrongful use of actual or threatened force," which is obtaining the property with consent but compelled by the wrongful use of force, violence, or fear.

And I would say, then: If you are considering

Counts 3 and 5, the definitions are at Page 39 through 41.

I'm thinking that perhaps I should read them on Page 39. There is an element that says the person took the property against the victim's will by actual or threatened force, violence, or fear of injury.

On Page 41, regarding extortion, it says: Obtaining another person's property or money with his consent when the consent is induced or brought upon by use of force, violence, or fear.

So I would just read those little pieces out of the

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instructions, then remind them that, of course, I only read you
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     a little piece; you have to keep all the instructions in mind.
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     And if this does not answer your question, please send us
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     another question.
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              MR. PURPURA: That's acceptable to Defendant Hersl.
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              MS. WICKS: Acceptable to Defendant Taylor.
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              MR. WISE: And to the U.S.
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              MR. PURPURA: Your Honor, just very briefly, I'd like
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     to -- one of the early questions we had or the first question
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           If the jury decided on two of the racketeering acts in
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     was:
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     Count 1, need not -- need they decide any further?
              And I'm asking the Court, on behalf of Mr. Hersl, that
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    based on the Court's instruction, based on the verdict form the
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     way it's written and as written by the Government and agreed by
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     defense, that they need only find two. And there's no
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     indication that they should consider all the other racketeering
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     acts in Count 1.
              The same as to Count 2 on racketeering. I believe the
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     appropriate instruction by the Court in the body of the
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     instruction was that they need -- they need consider at
     least -- and find -- two of the 16 racketeering acts. And
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     that's repeated, that two specific racketeering acts would be
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     the elements defining racketeering.
              Once they find those two, it would be our position
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     that they can move on to the substantive counts that -- to, in
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fact, require the jury to go beyond those two acts. And with
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     the instruction so given is what I believe close to an Allen
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     charge on that, that they should look at those acts, and they
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     must find those acts as well. I think it's inappropriate,
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     especially at this early hour, that type of instruction.
              THE COURT: All right. And I will reply that my
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     recollection is that when I responded to those questions last
     week, I had the consent and agreement of defendants and defense
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     counsel for that, that I think it is appropriate, particularly
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     given the early time at which that question was asked, to at
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     least expect the jury to deliberate and try to reach an
     agreement. I was careful to tell them that they would have to
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    be unanimous. If they couldn't reach a unanimous agreement,
     then they don't have to.
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              But under those circumstances, I don't think it would
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    be justified to reverse my instruction at this point.
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              MR. PURPURA: Thank you, Your Honor.
              MR. WISE:
                         Thank you, Your Honor.)
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          (Bench conference concluded.)
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          (Jury present.)
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              THE COURT: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.
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              I have a question from you from late last Thursday.
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     I'm just going to read the question to make sure that we all
    have the same thing in mind. It was last Thursday.
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              The guestion I have is: We have reviewed in detail
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the instructions regarding extortion. We are concerned about the type and extent of consent that would constitute extortion versus a robbery. For example, if an individual is handcuffed by an officer, what exact consent must be given that will allow the officer to keep the money for himself unlawfully?

So at this point I apologize, but I will have to say that we are not completely clear about the focus of your question.

For now, the best I can do is to refer you back to the instructions. If you were considering Counts 1 and 2 and the acts of robbery and extortion under Maryland law, those elements are defined at Pages 29 through 31. I'm not going to read that all back to you right now.

There is a distinction made between extortion under color or pretense of office and the other brought by wrongful use of force. As to extortion under color or pretense of office, it says that the -- in part that the defendant obtained property or services not due him or his office and that the property or service was given with the consent of the giver to the defendant, who knew the property was given because of the power of the defendant's official position.

Whereas, in order to convict the defendant of extortion by wrongful use of actual or threatened force or violence, the Government must prove, among other things, that the defendant obtained the property with the victim's consent

but that this consent was compelled by the wrongful use or 1 threat of force, violence, or fear. 2 Now, on the other hand, if you are considering 3 Counts 3 and 5, the Hobbs Act, robbery and extortion, those 4 5 definitions are at Pages 39 through 41. The second element of a robbery charge is that the 6 7 defendant or those whom he aided and abetted unlawfully took this property against the victim's will by actual or threatened 8 force, violence, or fear of injury, whether immediately or in 9 10 the future. 11 And at Page 41 in the definition of "extortion," it says that the defendant, among other things, that the defendant 12 wrongfully obtained the property of another and that the 13 defendant obtained this property with the victim's consent but 14 15 the consent was compelled by the wrongful use or threat of 16 force, violence, or fear. 17 Now, again, I've read to you only little pieces out of the instructions. Obviously you need to consider all of them. 18 If this does not help in answering your question, of course you 19 can send out another question. 20 So thank you very much. And we will excuse you back 21 into the jury room. 22 23 (Jury left the courtroom at 9:49 a.m.) Okay. Anything else at this point? 24 THE COURT: MR. WISE: Not from the United States, Your Honor.

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MR. PURPURA: Nothing by defense here.
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     Your Honor, again.
                               Thank you, Your Honor.
              MS. WICKS:
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              THE COURT:
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                          Thank you.
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          (Recess taken.)
          (3:02 p.m.)
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              THE COURT: You can all be seated.
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              Counsel, want to come up to the bench.
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          (Bench conference on the record:
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                          Okay. So on the record, we have two
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              THE COURT:
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     questions.
                 They appear to be on separate pieces of paper.
              The first question is: Statute Title 18
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     United States Code, Section 924(c), says, quote: Any person
     who, during and in relation to any crime of violence . . . for
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     which the person may be prosecuted in a court of the
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     United States, uses or carries a firearm, or -- and that's
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     underlined -- who, in furtherance of any such crime, possesses
     a firearm, shall be guilty of a crime.
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              That appears to be a quote from what's on my Page 44,
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     the statute.
              And then it says [reading]: However, on Page 45 and
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     46 of the instructions, it states that the Government must
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     prove, quote: Only -- and that's highlighted or underlined --
     that the defendant knowingly possessed a firearm in furtherance
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     of the crime charged in Counts 3 and 5.
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This is unclear to us. Should we follow the statute as stated or the instructions?

Seems to me the answer to that is actually fairly clear. It's the instructions. And, in fact, what is charged in the indictment, which I could refer them to Count 4 and Count 6, which are spelled out on Page 43 to 44, only charge possessing a firearm in furtherance of a crime of violence. So while we gave them more language out of the statute than we probably needed to, I think, based on what's in the indictment, that the instruction is correct.

MR. PURPURA: Yeah. On behalf of Mr. Hersl, I would ask the Court just to tell -- instruct them just to follow the instructions as set forth in the indictment.

MR. WISE: Your Honor, I mean, the only other comment
I potentially could make is that -- and this may just be
because they want to try to understand what's in front of
them -- is that the statute criminalizes two different kinds of
violations; and the indictment and the instructions charge the
latter, possession in furtherance as opposed to carrying and
use.

Just so they understand that this is not part of what they have to find, possession in furtherance.

THE COURT: Okay. Anything else?

MS. WICKS: I agree with Mr. Purpura, on behalf of Mr. Taylor.

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All right. Well, I think that it would be
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              THE COURT:
    helpful to them to say, which I will, that they should follow
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     the instructions and that if they look at the language for the
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     specific of what's charged in Counts 4 and 6, they will see
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     that it charges possession in furtherance of a crime of
     violence, therefore, they should just follow the instructions
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     rather than the statute.
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                     The second question says: Please provide an
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              Okay.
     example (real or hypothetical) of a valid Hobbs Act crime.
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              I propose not to answer that.
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              MR. WISE:
                         The Hamiltons.
              MR. PURPURA: I was going to suggest Marnat Road with
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     Rayam.
                         Good idea. How about we compromise.
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              MR. WISE:
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     we do all three or all four?
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              MS. WICKS: I think we have to answer.
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              MR. PURPURA: No, I don't think we can answer.
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              MS. WICKS: I think we have to say something.
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              MR. WISE:
                         I don't think we can.
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              THE COURT:
                         What do I say? I mean, I'll say that I
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     can't answer it.
              MS. WICKS: That's what I mean.
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              THE COURT:
                         I will acknowledge that we got the second
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     question, and I will tell them we are unable to provide that
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    kind of example.
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"That's up to you."
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              MR. WISE:
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              THE COURT:
                         Right. Okay.
              MR. PURPURA: Thank you.
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              MR. WISE:
                         Thank you.)
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          (Bench conference concluded.)
              THE COURT: All right. We can get the jury.
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          (Jury entered the courtroom at 3:07 p.m.)
              THE COURT: You can be seated, please.
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              All right. Ladies and gentlemen, thank you. We have
     another couple of questions.
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              So I'm going to read the first question and give you
     an answer to that, and then we'll come to the second one.
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              But the first one recites some of the statutory
     definition. It says [reading]: Statute Title 18
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     United States Code, Section 924(c), says, quote: Any person
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     who, during and in relation to any crime of violence . . . for
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     which the person may be prosecuted in a court of the
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     United States, uses or carries a firearm, or who, in
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     furtherance of any such crime, possesses a firearm, shall be
     quilty of a crime.
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              That, I think, is actually on Page 44 of the
     instructions, the recitation of that part of the statute.
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              The question then notes, however, that on Page 45 and
     46 of the instructions, it states that the Government must
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     prove only that the defendant knowingly possessed a firearm in
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furtherance of the crime charged in Counts 3 and 5.
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              And then the question is: This is unclear to us.
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     Should we follow the statute as stated or the instructions?
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              The short answer to that is the instructions.
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              If you look also on Page 43-44 that contains the
     language of the indictment, the specific charge stated in
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     Count 4 and also in Count 6, it charges in each count each
     defendant separately, but it charges possession of a firearm in
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     furtherance of a crime of violence.
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              So the short answer is you follow the instructions,
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     not the longer version of the statute, which is already also
     included in the instructions.
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              The second question said: Please provide an example
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     (real or hypothetical) of a valid Hobbs Act crime.
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              That, I'm afraid, we are not able to answer. I can't
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     give you that kind of hypothetical.
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              All right. Thank you all very much.
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          (Jury left the courtroom at 3:11 p.m.)
              THE COURT: Anything else at this point?
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              MR. WISE: Not from the United States, Your Honor.
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              MR. PURPURA: Not from the defense.
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              MS. WICKS: No, thank you, Your Honor.
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          (Recess taken.)
          (4:54 p.m.)
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              THE COURT: You can be seated, please.
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I'll see counsel at the bench.
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          (Bench conference on the record:
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              THE COURT: I'm just going to send this in and ask
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     them if they want to continue deliberating.
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              MR. PURPURA: Fine.
                                   Thank you.
              THE COURT: You can just stay up here for a minute.
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              Ms. Moyé (handing).
              While you're up here, I'll let you know that
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     Justin Fenton apparently e-mailed my chambers again indicating
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     that he had not -- which is correct -- he had not heard
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     anything about his earlier request to obtain a video, the video
     of the opening the safe or other exhibits. You'll recall we
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     did discuss it.
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              MR. WISE: Right.
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              THE COURT: And counsel, particularly defense counsel,
     did not wish that I would encourage it being released while the
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     trial is pending, so I didn't.
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              Obviously, we are getting, presumably, close to the
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     end of trial. And so the question is: Once the verdict is in,
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     is there any reason that the Government wishes to give him
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              Because you're the ones that have the access.
     access?
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              MR. WISE: Right.
              MR. PURPURA: I can't think of fair reason at this
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     point -- at that point.
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              THE COURT:
                          Yes.
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Your Honor, I haven't thought about it
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              MS. WICKS:
     differently yet, but I would raise -- I mean, everything that
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     we have is subject to protective orders. So the defense is not
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     releasing anything to anybody or letting them look at anything.
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     And given that we're under that restraint, we would oppose it
    being released.
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              THE CLERK:
                          (Handing.)
                         They want to continue deliberating until
              THE COURT:
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     6 o'clock, is the answer that's come back.
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              MR. PURPURA: All right. Thank you.
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              THE COURT: Okay. Well, if you want to give me some
     authority for that position as to why I shouldn't release to
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     the -- as an exhibit that's been admitted in court and played
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     in front of everybody, we can do that.
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              I'm not planning to do anything while the jury is
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     still deliberating. So, I mean, at the earliest, I'll get back
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     to them tomorrow and the position I'll take is once the trial
     is over, they can have access unless you show me something
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     else.
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                         Thank you, Your Honor.
              MR. WISE:
              MR. PURPURA: Are we excused until 6:00 or before?
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                          I would say you are excused until 6:00 or
              THE COURT:
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     such earlier time as we may get a question.
              MR. WISE: We'll be in the building.
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MS. WICKS: You'd like us here so that they can be

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called in at 6:00?
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              THE COURT: Yes. And in case they have anything
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    before 6:00. And, otherwise, just please be in the courtroom
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     at 6 o'clock.
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              MS. WICKS:
                         Certainly.
              MR. HINES: We'll be here in the building.)
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          (Bench conference concluded.)
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              THE COURT: Okay. As I've just advised counsel, the
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     jurors have indicated they want to continue deliberating until
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     6 o'clock, so please be available. If there's anything prior
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     to 6:00, we'll come back into court. Otherwise, everybody back
     in court at 6 o'clock to excuse them for the day.
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          (Recess taken.)
              THE COURT: All right. We have a verdict. So you can
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     all be seated.
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          (Jury entered the courtroom at 5:24 p.m.)
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              THE COURT: All right. Welcome back, ladies and
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     gentlemen. You can be seated. I understand that you have
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     reached a verdict.
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              THE CLERK: We are here to receive the verdict in
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     Criminal No. CCB-17-0106, United States of America versus
     Daniel Thomas Hersl and Marcus Roosevelt Taylor.
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              Members of the jury, will you please answer to roll
     call.
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              Juror No. 1?
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JUROR NO. 1: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 2?
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              JUROR NO. 2: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 3?
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              JUROR NO. 3: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 4?
              JUROR NO. 4: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 5?
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              JUROR NO. 5: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 6?
              JUROR NO. 6: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 7?
              JUROR NO. 7: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 8?
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              JUROR NO. 8: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 9?
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              JUROR NO. 9: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 10?
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              JUROR NO. 10: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Juror No. 11?
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              JUROR NO. 11: Here.
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              THE CLERK: And Juror No. 12?
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              JUROR NO. 12: Here.
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              THE CLERK: Members of the jury, have you agreed on
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     your verdict?
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              THE JURY:
                         Yes.
              THE CLERK: Who shall speak for you?
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              JURY FOREPERSON:
                                I am.
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              THE CLERK: Mr. Foreman, will you please rise.
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              Has the verdict form which was submitted to the jury
     been answered, signed, and dated by you?
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              JURY FOREPERSON:
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                                Yes.
              THE CLERK: It's desired by the clerk to present to
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     the Court.
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          (The Court reviewed the jury verdict form.)
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              THE COURT: Okay. All right. Mr. Foreperson, I'm
     going to be asking you the questions and asking you to give us
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     the answer as it has been noted on your verdict sheet.
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              So Count 1 says: We, the jury, find the
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     Defendant Daniel Thomas Hersl, with respect to Count 1,
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     racketeering conspiracy --
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Guilty.
              THE COURT: -- quilty.
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              And then there is a question which says: You must all
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     agree that either the defendant or another member of the
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     conspiracy agreed to commit at least two racketeering acts.
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              And you are asked to identify which racketeering acts
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     you unanimously find that either the defendant or another
     member of the conspiracy agreed to commit.
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              Can you tell me, please, by their number which
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racketeering acts the jury has unanimously identified.
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Racketeering Act 10.
              THE COURT:
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              JURY FOREPERSON: And Racketeering Act 14.
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              THE COURT:
                         And Racketeering Act 14. 10 and 14.
              All right. Thank you.
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              Continuing on Count 1, as to Mr. Taylor, it says:
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     the jury, find the Defendant Marcus Roosevelt Taylor, with
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     respect to Count 1, racketeering conspiracy --
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Guilty.
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              THE COURT: -- guilty.
              And can you tell me which of the racketeering acts by
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     number the jury unanimously found that either the defendant or
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     another member of the conspiracy agreed to commit.
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Racketeering Act 8 and
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    Racketeering Act 20.
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              THE COURT: 8 and 20. Thank you.
              As to Count 2, it says: We, the jury, find the
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    Defendant Daniel Thomas Hersl, with respect to Count 2,
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     racketeering -- and your answer is?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Guilty.
              THE COURT: All right. And then there are questions
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     about various racketeering acts.
              It says: Which of the following racketeering acts did
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     you unanimously find that Defendant Hersl committed?
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First is Racketeering Act 3, November 5th, 2014,
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     Jimmie Griffin. What did you find?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: We found act -- Letter A.
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              THE COURT:
                          That Defendant Hersl committed robbery in
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     violation of Maryland Criminal Code?
              JURY FOREPERSON:
                               Yes.
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              THE COURT: That's proved. Okay.
              As to Racketeering Act 4, November 27th, 2015,
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    Herbert Tate, what did you find unanimously?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Letter A.
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              THE COURT:
                          That Defendant Hersl committed robbery in
    violation of the Maryland Criminal Code was proved?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.
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              THE COURT: All right. Racketeering Act No. 5,
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    November 28th, 2015, Antonio Santiful, what did you find there?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Letter A.
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              THE COURT: That Defendant Hersl committed robbery in
    violation of the Maryland Criminal Code has been proved?
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              JURY FOREPERSON:
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                               Yes.
              THE COURT: All right. As to Racketeering Act 10,
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     July 8th, 2016, Ronald and Nancy Hamilton, what did you find?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Letters A and B.
              THE COURT: A and B. So that Defendant Hersl
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    unlawfully conspired, together with others, to commit robbery
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     in violation of the Maryland Code and committed robbery in
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violation of the Maryland Code, both proved?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.
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              THE COURT: All right. As to Racketeering Act 11,
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     August 8th, 2016, Dennis Armstrong, what did you find?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Not proved.
              THE COURT: Okay. Not proved as to A.
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              JURY FOREPERSON: A and B both.
              THE COURT: A and B both?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.
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              THE COURT: Okay. And what about C and D?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Not proved.
              THE COURT: Not proved. All right. So not proved as
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     to conspiracy to commit robbery, committing robbery, conspiracy
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     to commit extortion, or committing extortion. All were not
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    proved?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.
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              THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
              Racketeering Act 14, July 6th, 2016, the interstate
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    wire as to Mr. Hersl?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Proved.
              THE COURT: 15, the July 20th, 2016, interstate wire
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     as to Mr. Hersl?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Proved.
              THE COURT: Racketeering Act 18, August 3rd, 2016,
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     interstate wire as to Mr. Hersl?
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JURY FOREPERSON:
                                Proved.
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              THE COURT: Racketeering Act 21, August 17th, 2016,
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     interstate wire as to Mr. Hersl?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Proved.
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              THE COURT: Okay. All right. Still on Count 2, but
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     moving to the Defendant Marcus Roosevelt Taylor, how did you
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     find with respect to Count 2, racketeering?
              JURY FOREPERSON: Guilty.
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              THE COURT: Guilty.
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              Regarding Racketeering Act 2, January 24th, 2014,
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     Shawn Whiting, how did you find?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: A, proved.
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              THE COURT: A, proved?
              JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.
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              THE COURT: That is, that Mr. Taylor committed
    unlawful conspiracy with others to commit robbery in violation
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     of the Maryland Code?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.
              THE COURT: All right. As to Racketeering Act 6,
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     February 17th, 2016, Raytawn Benjamin, how did you find?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: A and B, not proved.
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              THE COURT: All right. And C and D?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Not proved.
              THE COURT: Okay. So as to Racketeering Act 6, not
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     proved that Mr. Taylor conspired to commit robbery, committed
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robbery, committed -- conspired to commit extortion or
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     committed extortion in violation of the Criminal Code?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.
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              THE COURT: All right. Racketeering Act 8,
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 5
    March 22nd, 2016, Oreese Stevenson as to Mr. Taylor, how did
 6
    you find?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: A and B, proved.
              THE COURT: A and B, proved. So proved conspiracy to
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     commit robbery and commission of robbery in violation of the
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    Maryland Criminal Code?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Correct.
              THE COURT: All right. Racketeering Act 12,
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     September 7th, 2016, Sergio Summerville, as to Mr. Taylor, how
     did you find?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: A, proved.
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              THE COURT: A, proved. So Mr. Taylor conspired
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     together with others to commit robbery in violation of the
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    Maryland Code, that was proved?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Correct.
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              THE COURT: All right. Racketeering Act 17, a
21
     July 20th, 2016, interstate wire as to Mr. Taylor?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Proved.
              THE COURT: Racketeering Act 20, August 3rd, 2016,
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     interstate wire as to Mr. Taylor?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Proved.
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THE COURT: And Racketeering Act 22, August 17th,
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     2016, interstate wire as to Mr. Taylor?
              JURY FOREPERSON: Proved.
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              THE COURT: As to Count 3, it is: We, the jury, find
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 5
     the Defendant Marcus Roosevelt Taylor, with respect to Count 3,
    Hobbs Act robbery and extortion?
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 7
              JURY FOREPERSON: Guilty.
              THE COURT: And then the second question: Was that
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     through robbery or extortion?
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                                Robbery.
              JURY FOREPERSON:
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              THE COURT: Robbery. All right. Guilty of robbery.
              Count 4: We find the Defendant Marcus Roosevelt
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     Taylor, with respect to Count 4, possession of a firearm in
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     furtherance of a crime of violence?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Not guilty.
              THE COURT: Not guilty. All right.
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              On Count 5, it says: We find the Defendant
     Daniel Thomas Hersl, with respect to Count 5, the Hobbs Act
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     robbery and extortion --
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Guilty.
              THE COURT: -- guilty.
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              And then is it robbery or extortion?
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Robbery.
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              THE COURT: Robbery.
              As to Count 6, we find the Defendant
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Daniel Thomas Hersl, with respect to Count 6, possession of a
 1
     firearm in furtherance of a crime of violence --
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              JURY FOREPERSON: Not quilty.
 3
              THE COURT: -- not quilty.
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 5
              Okay. And that is signed and dated.
              All right. Would anyone like the jury polled?
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              MS. WICKS:
                         Yes, Your Honor.
              THE CLERK: Juror No. 2, please rise.
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              Having delivered the verdict of the jury, is that your
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     verdict?
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              JURY FOREPERSON:
                                Yes.
              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
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              Juror No. 1, please rise.
              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
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              JUROR NO. 1: Yes.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
              Juror No. 3, will you please rise.
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              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
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              JUROR NO. 3: Yes.
              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
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              Juror No. 4, will you please rise.
              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
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JUROR NO. 4:
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                            Yes.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
              Juror No. 5, will you please rise.
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              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
              JUROR NO. 5: Yes.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
              Juror No. 6, will you please rise.
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              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
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              JUROR NO. 6: Yes.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
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              Juror No. 7, will you please rise.
              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
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              JUROR NO. 7: Yes.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
              Juror No. 8, will you please rise.
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              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
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              JUROR NO. 8: Yeah.
                                   Yes.
              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
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              Juror No. 9, will you please rise.
              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
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JUROR NO. 9:
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                           Yes.
              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
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              Juror No. 10, will you please rise.
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              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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     your verdict also?
              JUROR NO. 10:
                            Yes.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
              Juror No. 11, will you please rise.
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              11. Oh, you switched seats. Okay.
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              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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    your verdict also?
              JUROR NO. 11: Yes.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
              And, Juror No. 12, will you please rise.
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              Having heard the verdict of your foreperson, is that
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    your verdict also?
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              JUROR NO. 12: Yes.
              THE CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated.
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              Members of the jury, you have heard the verdicts and
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     answers thereto as delivered by your foreperson, and they have
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    been recorded; and each of you do agree?
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              THE JURY: Yes.
              THE CLERK: Verdict recorded.
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              THE COURT: All right. Counsel, anything further for
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     the jury?
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Nothing. Thank you, Your Honor. 1 MR. PURPURA: MR. WISE: Not from the United States, Your Honor. 2 Thank you. 3 Thank you, Your Honor. 4 MS. WICKS: No. 5 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Ladies and gentlemen, a 6 couple of things to tell you. First of all, thank you very much for your service in 7 this case. It's been -- it was a lengthy trial. There are 8 many issues, and we really appreciate your attention to it. 9 A couple things: First of all, I have told you, as 10 11 you will recall throughout the trial, not to discuss the case with anyone, not to read anything about it, and so forth and so 12 13 on. At this point, now that your verdict has been 14 15 rendered, it is up to you if you choose to read anything about this case, whether you wish to talk about the case with your 16 17 family or friends or whoever. It is up to you. I will instruct you, you do not -- you're not required 18 19 to talk to anyone about the case and the lawyers are still not 20 permitted to speak to you about the case without leave of court. 21 22 But you are not under the rule that I've been telling you every day. 23 And the second thing is you are -- if you will go back 24

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with Ms. Moyé into the jury room, you are, of course, free to

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leave as soon as you like.
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              I do intend to come down and come back into the jury
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     room just for a few minutes to thank you in person, but you do
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     not have to stay for that. That is totally up to you as well.
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              So thank you, and you can go with Ms. Moyé.
          (Jury discharged at 5:38 p.m.)
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              THE COURT: All right. Counsel, I suggest that we
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     confer by phone at a later point in terms of setting any
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     sentencing dates.
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              And thank you, all. I think we're excused.
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              MR. WISE: Thank you, Your Honor.
              MR. PURPURA: Your Honor, thank you very much.
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          (Court adjourned at 5:39 p.m.)
          I, Douglas J. Zweizig, RDR, CRR, do hereby certify that
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     the foregoing is a correct transcript from the stenographic
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