

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	No. ___ CR ___
)	
_____ ,)	Judge John Z. Lee
)	
Defendant.)	

WAIVER OF APPEARANCE

I, _____, counsel for _____, certify that I have consulted with Defendant regarding this waiver of appearance. After Defendant acknowledged an understanding of the following information, Defendant knowingly and voluntarily waived the right to attend the [status / motion] hearing scheduled on _____.

1. Defendant has the right to personally attend all hearings in this case.
2. With the Court's consent, Defendant may waive the right to appear for specific status and motion hearings in this case.
3. If Defendant chooses not to attend a hearing in this case, the hearing will go forward in Defendant's absence, and the absence will not limit the matters addressed during the hearing or affect the nature or scope of the rulings that the Court may enter at the hearing.
4. Decisions that Defendant's counsel makes in Defendant's absence at such hearing will be binding upon the Defendant.
5. No transcript of the hearing will be prepared solely on account of Defendant's absence.
6. Defendant's waiver of appearance at the hearing identified on this form does not waive Defendant's appearance at any other hearing.

Additionally, I certify that this waiver of appearance shall be filed on the docket.

Dated: _____

Attorney for Defendant