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August 11, 2023

Hon. Walter M. Green
220 S. Main St., Room A207
Gainesville, FL 32601

RE: State of Florida v. Jessy James Westberry; Case No. 01-2023-MM-1276

Dear Judge Green,

I am the victim in this case, Mr. Westberry's wife. We have four children, ages 3 through 7 and I have another son, age 9. It was never my intent to keep Mr. Westberry from seeing our children and being able to talk to our children by telephone. Because of circumstances and the ages of the children, there is presently no way for Mr. Westberry to see or talk to our children without contacting me. Further, with the start of school, I need help from Mr. Westberry to care for the children. A hearing occurred on July 14, 2023 on the Defendant's Motion to Modify Conditions of Pretrial Release. I had been in communication with both the assistant state attorney and public defender to address my situation. I went to the courthouse to be present at the hearing. Because I had never been to this courthouse before, it took me longer than anticipated to find parking and then find the right courtroom. I arrived just a few minutes after the noticed time for the hearing and was advised the hearing was already concluded and there was nothing further I could do. Apparently neither the assistant state attorney nor the public defender I had been dealing with were present and others not familiar with my situation were there in their place. The Court modified the order to allow Mr. Westberry to have contact with the children but continued to prohibited contact with me. As stated above, Mr. Westberry and I need to have contact with each other with regard to our children. I have filed for the family law court to dismiss the separate civil injunction.

I respectfully request the Court modify the pretrial release order to allow Mr. Westberry to have non-hostile contact with me.

I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



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