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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF FRESNO
CENTRAL DIVISION

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)	No. 04901785	Dept. 53
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Plaintiff)		
)		
v.)	AMENDED	
)	ORDER REGARDING MEDIA ACCESS	
MARCUS DELON WESSON,)		
)		
Defendant.)		

The court previously concluded that photo and electronic media coverage of the case must be limited. Extensive media coverage has already exposed the prospective jury pool to information in this matter. Additional electronic coverage has the potential of prejudicing the rights of the parties to a fair trial and likely necessitating additional hearings to investigate the nature of the exposure and impact on the jurors. Next week prospective jurors, as part of a large jury panel, will be in the elevators and public areas of the Courthouse during the jury selection process.

Whereas, it is in the Court's operational and security interest and responsibility to minimize interference with neighboring courtrooms, to minimize disruption of court

1 proceedings, to provide unimpeded access to courtrooms for
2 persons conducting regular court business, to protect the privacy
3 rights of jurors and prospective jurors, to protect the rights of
4 the parties to this case to a fair trial, and to enable the
5 Fresno County Sheriff, who has been designated as the Fresno
6 Superior Court Security Officer, to enforce the provisions of
7 this order, and having considered other factors pursuant to Rule
8 980(e)(3).

9 THEREFORE, This Order amends the previous order made
10 pursuant to Rule 980, and good cause appearing,

11 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

12 (1) Until further order of the court, there shall be no
13 cameras, tape recorders, video recorders, camcorders, laptop or
14 other computers permitted in the courtroom or in the public areas
15 of the Fifth Floor of the Courthouse. Cellular phones, personal
16 digital assistants, satellite phones or any other manual or
17 electronic device capable of recording video, audio or still
18 images, or any device capable of recording video, audio or still
19 images, or any device capable of transmitting any visual or audio
20 representation or actual image or sound also shall not be
21 permitted in the courtroom or public area of the Fifth Floor.
22 Cellular phones or personal digital assistants that do not have
23 the capabilities above will be permitted on the Fifth Floor, and
24 only in the courtroom so long as they are turned off.

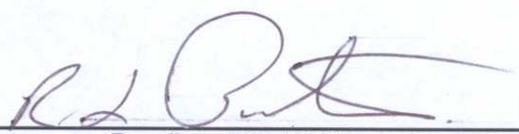
25 2. There shall be no photographing, recording, or
26 broadcasting of prospective jurors or selected jurors at any time
27 or at any location during the trial.

28 3. All other provisions of the previous order not

1 herein modified remain in full force.

2 4. Exceptions or modifications to this order may be
3 made at any time.

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5 DATED this 24th day of February 2005.

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R. L. PUTNAM
Judge of the Superior Court

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