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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR SPOKANE COUNTY

STATE OF WASHINGTON,

Plaintiff,

TYLER W. GASSMAN, ROBERT E. LARSON, ANTHONY M. KONGCHUNJI, PAUL E. STATLER, NO. 08-1-02444-1) 08-1-02445-9; 08-1-02443-2; 08-1-02442-4

ORDER GRANTING STATE'S MOTION TO AMEND INFORMATION, CONTINUING TRIAL DATE AND IMPOSING SANCTIONS

Defendants.

THIS MATTER CAME ON regularly for trial before the Honorable TARI S. EITZEN the 12th day of January, 2009. The State was represented by EUGENE M. CRUZ, Deputy Prosecutor. TYLER GASSMAN was represented by DAVID PARTOVI, ROBERT LARSON was represented by ANNA K. NORDTVEDT, ANTHONY KONGCHUNJI was represented by SENIT LUTGEN, and PAUL STATLER was represented by TIMOTHY S. NOTE.

FINDINGS

The day set for trial, the State moved to amend the Information to allege an offense date of April 17 rather than April 15, 2008. The court has reviewed the file and records herein, and has listened to the arguments of counsel. The court finds that the State was aware of its intention to amend the offense date alleged in the original information in October of 2008 but waited until the

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day of trial to propose the amendment. The court finds that the State was careless in handling 2 certain aspects of this case and that this carelessness will result in additional work for all four (4) 3 defense attorneys in order for them to be adequately prepared for trial. The court finds that since there is three weeks remaining until speedy trial buffer date, 2/4/09, defence ORDER et have prepare for trial. 5 The State's Motion to Amend the Information is GRANTED. Trial in this case will be 6 CONTINUED to Monday, February 2, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. 7 The Spokane County Prosecutor's Office is ordered to pay SANCTIONS in the form of 8 9 attorney's fees in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) directly to each defense 10 attorney's office for a total of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.00). Sanctions shall be paid in full on 11 or before the new trial date of February 2, 2009. 12 DATED THIS 21 day of January, 2009. 13 14 15 TARÍ S. EITZEN Judge of the Superior Court 16 Approved as to form: 17 Telephonic Approval on 1/15/09 1:18PM 18 Anna K. Nordtvedt WSBA# 15622 Eugene M. Cruz WSBA# 27114 19 Attorney for Robert Larson **Deputy Prosecuting Attorney** 20 Telephonic Approval on 1/15/09 12:02PM 21 Senit M.Lutgen WSBA# 33532 Attorney for Anthony Kongchunji Timothy S, Note WSBA # 34929 22 Attorney for Robert Statler 23 24 David R. Partovi WSBA# 30611 Attorney for Tyler Gassman 25 26

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