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THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MOHAVE

VIRLYNN TINNELL
CLERK SUPERIOR COURT
DEPUTY

HONORABLE STEVEN F. CONN, JUDGE
DIVISION III
DATE: AUG. 31, 2006

VIRLYNN TINNELL, CLERK
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MINUTE ORDER

STATE OF ARIZONA,
Plaintiff,

vs.

WARREN STEED JEFFS,
Defendant.

No. CR-2005-0718, CR-2005-0842
& CR-2005-0847

The Court has received these cases for reassignment. They were initially assigned to Judge Moon over a year ago when warrants were issued for the arrest of the Defendant. The State on August 30, 2006, filed a Notice of Change of Judge which Judge Moon has found to be timely. This is consistent with Rule 10.2(c)(1) which provides that a notice shall be filed within 10 days after the Arraignment. Although the notice could have been filed more than a year ago when these cases were first assigned to Judge Moon, it appears that it is still timely despite the provisions of Rule 10.2(c)(3) since the Arraignment in these cases has not yet taken place.

Regardless of which judge's name comes up next to receive a case reassigned from Judge Moon, it is probably logical to assign these cases to this Court. Judge Chavez recently recused himself in a companion case for reasons which would probably cause him to recuse himself in these cases also. This Court now has assigned to it the cases involving the co-Defendants in each of these 3 cases and several other Defendants facing similar charges. The Court has already ruled on various issues which could reasonably be expected to arise in these cases.

IT IS ORDERED assigning each of these cases to this Court for all further proceedings.

IT IS ORDERED affirming the prior Order entered in each case that an Arrest Warrant issue for the arrest of the Defendant.

IT IS ORDERED affirming the following Orders which were previously entered in

CR-2005-0718:

1. This Court's Order Allowing Disclosure of Grand Jury Indictment and Warrant signed on June 10, 2005.
2. Judge Moon's Order keeping from public disclosure any identifying information regarding the alleged victim dated June 10, 2005.

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