MISSOURI CIRCUIT COURT TWENTY-SECOND CIRCUIT (City of St. Louis)

PROTECTIVE ORDER

The Court finds that there is a clear and present danger that the trial setting herein will be jeopardized, and that a fair trial for the State, the victim and the defendant will be impossible, absent relief as requested by the State. The Court concludes that it can and must act in accordance with the precepts of *Shepherd v. Maxwell*, 384 U.S. 333 (1966); *Nebraska Press Ass'n v. Stuart*, 427 U.S. 539 (1976). A similar order was entered in this Circuit by Wilson, J., in *State v. Stockley*, 22nd Cir. No. 1622-CR02213-01.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that all counsel, the parties, and endorsed witnesses are hereby prohibited from making any public statements outside the courtroom regarding the identity of witnesses and their expected testimony, references to specific evidence to be offered at trial, and any personal belief in the defendant's guilt or innocence; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that all counsel, parties and deposed or endorsed witnesses are prohibited from publishing or disseminating any deposition testimony without leave of Court, except that counsel may

disseminate deposition testimony for trial preparation purposes without publication to any person other than parties, counsel or endorsed or deposed witnesses;

Provided, that this order does not preclude statements regarding the general nature of the law and the charge, scheduling information, the substance of court orders or rulings that are public record, and the contents or substance of any motions that are in the public record—subject to the Court review process as set forth herein; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that no party or counsel shall conduct any press conference regarding this case until the jury has been seated and sworn; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that motions alluding to depositions and other discovery materials should be filed initially as confidential, available for viewing by the Court and counsel only, until the parties and the Court have had an opportunity to request that any or all of the filing remain confidential in the interests of a fair trial.

SO ORDERED:

Rex M. Burlison, Circuit Judge