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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: WALTER ALAN ROSE, BPR #28903**  
**CONTACT: A. RUSSELL WILLIS**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
**615-361-7500**

November 4, 2015

**RUTHERFORD COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED**

On October 30, 2015, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended Walter Alan Rose from the practice of law until further orders of the Court pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 22.3, Serious Crime. Mr. Rose was suspended based upon his plea of guilty to violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(3), Addict in Possession of a Firearm.

The Supreme Court ordered the Board of Professional Responsibility to institute a formal proceeding to determine the extent of final discipline to be imposed as a result of Mr. Rose's guilty plea.

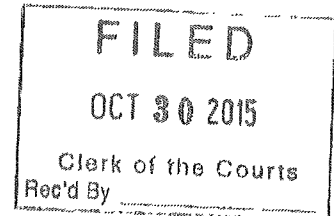
Mr. Rose must comply with Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 28, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

IN RE: WALTER ALAN ROSE, BPR #28903  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Rutherford County)

No. M2015-02096-SC-BAR-BP  
BOPR No. 2015-2502-4-AW(22.3)



ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT


This matter is before the Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22.3, upon a Notice of Submission filed by Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility consisting of a certified copy of the Petition to Enter a Plea of Guilty, Order accepting the Plea of Guilty, and Plea Agreement entered on September 21, 2015, in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, Nashville Division, in the matter of *United States of America v. Walter Alan Rose* (attached as Exhibit A) demonstrating Walter Alan Rose, a Tennessee attorney, pled guilty to a serious crime, Title 18 United States Code Section 922(g)(3), Addict in Possession of a Firearm.

IT IS, THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

1. Walter Alan Rose is suspended from the practice of law on this date pending further orders of this Court, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22.3;
2. This matter is referred to the Board of Professional Responsibility for the institution of a formal proceeding in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of the final discipline;
3. Walter Alan Rose shall fully comply with the provisions of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, concerning disbarred or suspended attorneys; and
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
NASHVILLE DIVISION

ATTEST AND CERTIFY  
A TRUE COPY  
Clerk  
U.S. District Court  
Middle District of Tennessee  
  
Deputy Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )

v. )

WALTER ALAN ROSE )

Case No. 3:13-cr-00171

Chief Judge Sharp

PETITION TO ENTER A PLEA OF GUILTY

I, Walter Alan Rose, respectfully represent to the Court as follows:

(1) My true full name is Walter Alan Rose and I declare that all proceedings against me be had in that name. I was born on October 9, 1980 and completed nineteen (19) years of formal education.

(2) My retained lawyer is Peter J. Strianse, Esq.

(3) I have received a copy of the *Criminal Information* before being called upon to plead and have read and discussed it with my lawyer, and believe and feel that I understand every accusation made against me in the *Information*.

(4) I have told my lawyer the facts and surrounding circumstances concerning the matters mentioned in the *Information* and believe and feel that my lawyer knows as much about this as I do. My lawyer has counseled and advised with me as to the nature and cause of every accusation against me. We have thoroughly discussed the government's case against me and my potential defenses to the government's case. My lawyer has explained each element of the crimes charged to me and what the government would offer to prove these elements beyond a reasonable doubt.

(5) I understand that the statutory penalty for the offense with which I am charged is as follows:

Count One (18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g)(3) & 924, Addict in Possession of Firearm) - carries not more than ten (10) years imprisonment, a \$250,000.00 fine or both, not more than three (3) years of supervised release and a \$100.00 special assessment.

I have been advised that I will be sentenced under the sentencing provisions of the Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984, pursuant to guidelines established by the United States Sentencing Commission. Specifically, I will be sentenced pursuant to the statutorily

established sentencing factors enumerated at 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a). I understand that the Sentencing Guidelines established by the United States Sentencing Commission are specifically included as one of several components of the Court's sentencing considerations. I also understand that the Court must treat the United States Sentencing Guidelines as merely advisory and that the Court may or may not impose a sentence within the guideline range after taking into consideration each of the factors set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a).<sup>1</sup> I also understand that if the Court fails to follow the guidelines or improperly applies the guidelines that I have a right to a review of my sentence by the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit within the limits of the plea agreement. I have been advised by my attorney that the guideline range in my case should be from twelve (12) to eighteen (18) months. I realize that this is simply my attorney's estimate and that my final guideline range will be calculated by the United States Probation Officer who prepares the presentence report in my case, subject to challenge by either me or the government with the final guideline calculation based upon the factual and legal findings of the Court. These findings are subject to appeal within the limits of the plea agreement.

I further understand that in addition to any sentence of incarceration I receive that I will be sentenced to a period of supervised release. If I am charged with more than one offense I understand that the sentencing guidelines take this into consideration and may result in a longer sentence whether or not I plead guilty to more than one offense. I have been informed that under the present federal sentencing system I will not be subject to parole and I will receive only 54 days good time per year and it will not vest until the end of each year. I further understand that I will be sentenced to a mandatory fine to be calculated through the guidelines unless the Judge finds me indigent and unable to pay any fine. Considered in this fine will be the amount of financial loss to the victim or gain to me as well as the costs of any confinement or probation supervision.

I understand that should this plea of guilty be accepted, I will be a convicted felon in the eyes of the law for the rest of my life. This means, under present law that (a) I cannot vote in Tennessee; (b) I cannot possess a firearm anywhere; (c) If I am presently on probation or parole whether state or federal, the fact that I have been convicted may be used to revoke my probation or parole regardless of what sentence I receive on this case; (d) This conviction may be used as one of the necessary convictions a state would have to prove should they decide to prosecute me for being an habitual criminal. If I were convicted of being an habitual criminal I could be sentenced up to life imprisonment depending on state law; (e) I may have to disclose the fact that I am a convicted felon when applying for employment and such disclosure may result in my not getting some jobs and having difficulty in getting others.

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<sup>1</sup>In light of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *United States v. Booker*, 543 U.S. 220 (2005), the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines are effectively advisory, requiring a sentencing court to consider Guidelines ranges, *see* 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(4), but permitting it to tailor the sentence in light of other statutory concerns, *see* 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a).

(6) I understand that I can plead "NOT GUILTY" to any or all offenses charged against me, and continue to plead "NOT GUILTY", and that if I choose to plead not guilty, the Constitution guarantees me (a) the right to a speedy and public trial by jury; (b) the right not to testify and no implication of guilt would arise by my failure to do so; (c) the right to be presumed innocent until such time, if ever, that the government proves my guilt beyond a reasonable doubt to the satisfaction of a court and jury; (d) the right to see and hear all the witnesses and to cross-examine any witness who may testify against me; (e) the right to use the power and process of the court to compel the production of any evidence, including the attendance of any witnesses, in my favor; and to testify in my own behalf if I choose to do so; (f) the right to have the assistance of counsel in my defense at all stages of the proceedings; (g) if I am convicted at such trial I have the right to appeal with a lawyer to assist me and the appeal will not cost me any money if I am indigent. I understand that if the Court accepts my plea that there will be no jury trial and that I will be convicted of the count(s) to which I plead just as if a jury found me guilty of the charge(s) following a trial and that the Court may impose sentence upon me within the limits set forth in the plea agreement stated in paragraph (10) herein.

(7) No officer or agent of any branch of government (federal, state or local), nor any other person, has told me what sentence I will receive. If there are any agreements between myself and my lawyer and the prosecution concerning my plea they are fully set forth in paragraph (10) below. I understand that even with a plea agreement no person can bind the Judge to give any particular sentence in my case and that if the Judge decides to reject the plea agreement set forth in paragraph (10) below I will be offered the opportunity to withdraw my plea and plead not guilty, if I desire unless the government has only agreed to recommend a sentence to the Court (Rule 11(e)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure). I hope to receive probation or some form of leniency but I am prepared to accept any punishment permitted by law which the Judge may see fit to impose. However, I respectfully request that the Judge consider in mitigation of punishment at the time of sentencing the fact that by voluntarily pleading "GUILTY" I have saved the government and the court the expense and inconvenience of a trial. [Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rule 32(a)(1)]. I understand that if the Judge decides to make a recommendation about where I should serve any incarceration, or whether any sentence of incarceration should be concurrent with any state time I am already serving, that the recommendation is not a promise or a guarantee, but only a recommendation and is not binding on the Bureau of Prisons which will make the final decision (after I am sentenced) about where I will be incarcerated or whether my sentence will be concurrent (unless the judge does not recommend concurrent or orders it to be consecutive) with any state time.

(8) My lawyer has done all that anyone could do to counsel and assist me, and I understand the proceedings in this case against me. My lawyer has done all the investigation and research in this case that I have asked him to do and I am satisfied with his representation at this point.

(9) I fully understand my rights to plead "NOT GUILTY" and fully understand the consequence of my plea of guilty, I wish to plead "GUILTY" and respectfully request the Court to accept my plea as follows: Plea of Guilty to Count One of the *Criminal Information*.

(10) This plea is a result of a plea agreement between my lawyer and the prosecution under the provisions of Rule 11 (c)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

The particularized terms and conditions of Defendant Rose's agreement with the government are contained in the attached "Plea Agreement" prepared by Assistant United States Attorney Harold B. McDonough, Jr.

(11) I offer my plea of "GUILTY" freely and voluntarily and of my own accord; also my lawyer has explained to me, and I feel and believe I understand, the statements set forth in the indictment, and in this petition, and in the "Certificate of Counsel" which is attached to this petition.

(12) I am not under the influence of either drugs or alcohol.

(13) I pray the Court to enter now my plea of "GUILTY" as set forth in paragraph (9) of this petition, in reliance upon my statements made in this petition.

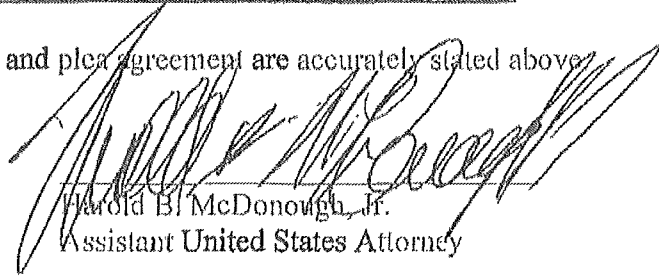
(14) Recognizing that the Court may reserve acceptance of this plea pending the receipt of the pre-sentence report, I hereby waive the provisions of Rule 32 F.R.Cr.P. to the extent that such provisions conflict with 18 USC 3552(d), and agree that the pre-sentence report may be disclosed to the U.S. Attorney, my counsel and myself, prior to the sentencing hearing.

Signed by me in open court under the penalties of perjury in the presence of my lawyer, this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015.

  
Walter Alan Rose

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GOVERNMENT ATTORNEY

The maximum punishment, plea and plea agreement are accurately stated above.



Harold B. McDonough, Jr.  
Assistant United States Attorney

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CERTIFICATE OF COUNSEL

The undersigned, as attorney and counselor for **Walter Alan Rose**, hereby certify as follows:

(1) I have read and fully explained to **Walter Alan Rose** all the accusations against him in this case;

(2) To the best of my knowledge and belief each statement set forth in the foregoing petition is in all respects accurate and true;

(3) In my opinion the plea of "GUILTY" as offered by **Walter Alan Rose** in paragraph (9) of the foregoing petition, is voluntarily and understandingly made; and I recommend to the Court that the plea of "GUILTY" be accepted and entered as requested in paragraph (9) of the foregoing petition.

Signed in open court in the presence of **Walter Alan Rose** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2015.



**PETER J. STRIANSE, ESQ.**  
Attorney for Defendant Rose

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ORDER

Good cause appearing therefore from the foregoing petition of the foregoing named defendant and the certificate of his counsel and for all proceedings heretofore had in this case, it is ORDERED that the petition be granted and the defendant's plea of "GUILTY" be accepted and entered as prayed in the petition and as recommended in the certificate of counsel.

Done in open court this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Sept, 2015.

  
Kevin H. Sharp  
Chief United States District Judge

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )  
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 WALTER ALAN ROSE )

The United States of America, through David Rivera, United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee, and Assistant United States Attorney Harold B. McDonough, and defendant, Walter Alan Rose, through defendant's counsel, Peter Strianse, pursuant to Rule 11(c)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, have entered into an agreement, the terms and conditions of which are as follows:

1. Defendant acknowledges that he has been charged in the Information in this case with being an addict in possession of a firearm in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(3).

### Charges to Which Defendant is Pleading Guilty

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Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(3).

**Penalties**

4. The parties understand and agree that the offense to which defendant will enter a plea of guilty carries the following maximum penalties: Not more than ten years of imprisonment, \$250,000 fine, and three years of supervised release..

**Acknowledgments and Waivers Regarding Plea of Guilty**  
**Nature of Plea Agreement**

5. This Plea Agreement is entirely voluntary and represents the entire agreement between the United States Attorney and defendant regarding defendant's criminal liability in Case No. 3:13-00171.

6. Defendant understands that by pleading guilty he surrenders certain trial rights including the following:

- a. If defendant persisted in a plea of not guilty to the charge against him, he would have the right to a public and speedy trial. Defendant has a right to a jury trial, and the trial would be by a judge rather than a jury only if defendant, the government, and the Court all agreed to have no jury.
- b. If the trial were a jury trial, the jury would be composed of twelve laypersons selected at random. Defendant and his attorney would have a say in who the jurors would be by removing prospective jurors for cause, or without cause by exercising so-called peremptory challenges. The jury would have to agree unanimously before it could return a verdict of either guilty or not guilty. The jury would be instructed that defendant is presumed innocent; that the government bears the burden of proving defendant guilty of the charge beyond a reasonable doubt.

c. If the trial were held by the judge without a jury, the judge would find the facts and determine, after hearing all the evidence, whether or not the judge was persuaded of defendant's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

d. At a trial, whether by a jury or a judge, the government would be required to present its witnesses and other evidence against defendant. Defendant would be able to confront those government witnesses and his attorney would be able to cross-examine them. In turn, defendant could present witnesses and other evidence on his own behalf. If the witnesses for defendant would not appear voluntarily, he could require their attendance through the subpoena power of the Court.

e. At a trial, defendant would have a privilege against self-incrimination so that he could testify or decline to testify, and no inference of guilt could be drawn from his refusal to testify.

7. Defendant understands that by pleading guilty he is waiving all of the trial rights set forth in the prior paragraph. Defendant's attorney has explained those rights to him, and the consequences of his waiver of those rights.

#### Factual Basis

8. Defendant will plead guilty because he is in fact guilty of the charge contained in the Information. In pleading guilty, defendant admits the following facts and that those facts establish his guilt beyond a reasonable doubt:

On or about April 18, 2012, the defendant spoke to inmate at Cumberland County Jail and asked whether the inmate knew anyone on the "outside" who could provide Rose with pills, particularly Xanax and Percocet. The defendant stated that he would be willing to take pills from the inmate in lieu of his legal fee.

As a result of these conversations, the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) began to investigate the defendant's activities. During the course of this investigation, a confidential informant (CI) placed recorded calls to the defendant about the purchase of Percocet. After a few initial calls, the CI told the defendant that she would have 100 Percocet pills available for him the next day. The following day, the defendant gave the CI directions to his house and told the CI to put the pills in his mailbox, but they did not conduct a transaction that day. Three days later, however, the defendant met the CI at a gas station. At that time, the CI got into the defendant's vehicle and handed him 100 Percocet, which the defendant then placed in his back seat.

After the CI left the car, officers placed the defendant under arrest. When the defendant was arrested, officers found a firearm on his person; specifically, the defendant was carrying a Ruger, model P345D, .45 caliber handgun. At the time the defendant possessed the firearm, he was addicted to controlled substances. The firearm was not manufactured in Tennessee.

This statement of facts is provided to assist the Court in determining whether a factual basis exists for defendant's plea of guilty. The statement of facts does not contain each and every fact known to defendant and to the United States concerning defendant's and/or others' involvement in the offense conduct and other matters.

#### Sentencing Guidelines Calculations

9. The parties understand that the Court will take account of the United States Sentencing Guidelines (hereinafter "U.S.S.G."), together with the other sentencing factors set forth at 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a), and will consider the U.S.S.G. advisory sentencing range in imposing defendant's sentence. The parties agree that the U.S.S.G. to be considered in this case are those effective November 1, 2014.

10. For purposes of determining the U.S.S.G. advisory sentencing range, the United States and defendant recommend to the Court, pursuant to Rule 11(c)(1)(B), the following:

a. **Offense Level Calculations.**

- i. The base offense level for the count of conviction would be 14 pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 2K2.1(a)(6).
- ii. Assuming defendant clearly demonstrates acceptance of responsibility, to the satisfaction of the government, through his allocution and subsequent conduct prior to the imposition of sentence, a 2-level reduction will be warranted, pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 3E1.1(a).
- iii. The parties agree that no additional upward or downward adjustments are appropriate, or U.S.S.G.-based departures are appropriate.

b. **Criminal History Category:** The parties believe that the defendant has between 2 and 3 criminal history points, therefore agree to recommend to the Court a Criminal History Category of II.

(c) **Guidelines Range:** When combined with the anticipated Criminal History Category of II, the Recommended Offense Level of 12 would result in a recommended advisory sentencing range of 12 to 18 month imprisonment (the "Recommended Guidelines Range). Defendant understands that the court-determined guidelines range may be different from the Recommended Guidelines Range.

(d) Defendant is aware that the Recommended Guidelines Range is a prediction, not a promise, and is not binding on the Probation Office of the Court. Defendant understands that the Probation Office will conduct its own investigation and make its own investigation and make its own recommendations, that the Court ultimately determines the facts

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and law relevant to sentencing, that the Court's determinations govern the final guidelines calculations, and that the Court determines both the final offense level and the final guidelines range. Accordingly, the validity of this agreement is not contingent upon the Probation Officer's or the Court's concurrence with the above calculations. In the event that the Probation Office or the Court contemplates any U.S.S.G. adjustments, departures, or calculations different from those recommended above, the parties reserve the right to answer any inquiries and to make all appropriate arguments concerning the same. Defendant further acknowledges that if the Court does not accept the guidelines calculations of the parties, defendant will have no right to withdraw his guilty plea.

Agreements Relating to Sentencing

11. The United States agrees to recommend that sentence be imposed at the low-end of the sentencing guidelines range, and the defendant is free to argue for any sentence he believes is appropriate, including a sentence of probation.

12. Defendant agrees to pay the special assessment of \$100.00 at or before the time of sentencing with a check or money order payable to the Clerk of the U.S. District Court.

Presentence Investigation Report/Post-Sentence Supervision

13. Defendant understands that the United States Attorney's Office, in its submission to the Probation Office as part of the Pre-Sentence Report and at sentencing, shall fully apprise the District Court and the United States Probation Office of the nature, scope, and extent of defendant's conduct regarding the charge against him, as well as any related matters. The government will make known all matters in aggravation and mitigation relevant to the issue of sentencing, including the nature and extent of defendant's cooperation.

14. Defendant agrees to execute truthfully and completely a Financial Statement (with

supporting documentation) prior to sentencing, to be provided to and shared among the Court, the United States Probation Office, and the United States Attorney's Office regarding all details of his financial circumstances, including his recent income tax returns as specified by the Probation Officer. Defendant understands that providing false or incomplete information, or refusing to provide this information, may be used as a basis for denial of a reduction for acceptance of responsibility pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 3E1.1 and enhancement of his sentence for obstruction of justice under U.S.S.G. § 3C1.1, and may be prosecuted as a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, or as a contempt of the Court.

15. This Plea Agreement concerns criminal liability only. Except as expressly set forth in this Plea Agreement, nothing herein shall constitute a limitation, waiver, or release by the United States or any of its agencies of any administrative or judicial civil claim, demand, or cause of action it may have against defendant or any other person or entity. The obligations of this Plea Agreement are limited to the United States Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Tennessee and cannot bind any other federal, state, or local prosecuting, administrative, or regulatory authorities, except as expressly set forth in this Plea Agreement.

#### Entry of Guilty Plea

16. The parties jointly request that the Court accept the defendant's plea of guilty as set forth in this agreement and enter an order reflecting the acceptance of the plea and plea agreement.

#### Waiver of Appellate Rights

17. Regarding the issue of guilt, defendant hereby waives all (i) rights to appeal any issue bearing on the determination of whether he is guilty of the crime(s) to which he is agreeing to plead guilty; and (ii) trial rights that might have been available if he exercised his right to go



to trial. Regarding sentencing, Defendant is aware that 18 U.S.C. § 3742 generally affords a defendant the right to appeal the sentence imposed. Acknowledging this, defendant knowingly waives the right to appeal any sentence within or below the guideline range associated with the Recommended Guidelines Range. Defendant also knowingly waives the right to challenge the sentence imposed in any collateral attack, including, but not limited to, a motion brought pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 and/or § 2241, and/or 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c). However, no waiver of the right to appeal, or to challenge the adjudication of guilt or the sentence imposed in any collateral attack, shall apply to a claim of involuntariness, prosecutorial misconduct, or ineffective assistance of counsel. Likewise, the government waives the right to appeal any sentence: (i) within or above the Recommended Guideline Range.

#### Other Terms

18. Defendant agrees to cooperate with the United States Attorney's Office in collecting any unpaid fine and restitution for which defendant is liable, including providing financial statements and supporting records as requested by the United States Attorney's Office.

19. Should defendant engage in additional criminal activity after he has pled guilty but prior to sentencing, defendant shall be considered to have breached this Plea Agreement, and the government at its option may void this Plea Agreement.

#### Conclusion

20. Defendant understands that the Information and this Plea Agreement have been or will be filed with the Court, will become matters of public record, and may be disclosed to any person.

21. Defendant understands that his compliance with each part of this Plea Agreement extends until such time as he is sentenced, and failure to abide by any term of the Plea

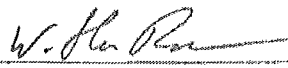
Agreement is a violation of the Plea Agreement. Defendant further understands that in the event he violates this Plea Agreement, the government, at its option, may move to vacate the Plea Agreement, rendering it null and void, and thereafter prosecute defendant not subject to any of the limits set forth in this Plea Agreement, or may require defendant's specific performance of this Plea Agreement.

22. Defendant and his attorney acknowledge that no threats have been made to cause defendant to plead guilty.

23. No promises, agreements, or conditions have been entered into other than those set forth in this Plea Agreement, and none will be entered into unless memorialized in writing and signed by all of the parties listed below.

24. Defendant's Signature: I hereby agree that I have consulted with my attorney and fully understand all rights with respect to the pending Information. Further, I fully understand all rights with respect to the provisions of the Sentencing Guidelines that may apply in my case. I have read this Plea Agreement and carefully reviewed every part of it with my attorney. I understand this Plea Agreement, and I voluntarily agree to it.

Date: 9/21/15

  
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WALTER ALAN ROSE  
Defendant

25. Defense Counsel Signature: I am counsel for defendant in this case. I have fully explained to defendant his rights with respect to the pending Information. Further, I have

reviewed the provisions of the Sentencing Guidelines and Policy Statements, and I have fully explained to defendant the provisions of those guidelines that may apply in this case. I have reviewed carefully every part of this Plea Agreement with defendant. To my knowledge, defendant's decision to enter into this Plea Agreement is an informed and voluntary one.

Date: 9/21/15

  
PETER STRIANSE  
Counsel for Defendant

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID RIVERA  
United States Attorney

By:

  
HAROLD B. MCDONOUGH JR.  
ASSISTANT U. S. ATTORNEY