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Hon. Juan M. Merchan
New York State Supreme Court, Criminal Term, Part 59
100 Centre Street
New York, New York 10013

RE: *People v. Trump*, Ind. No. 71543/23

The Court set the current briefing schedule after considering the arguments of both parties and weighing the factors defendant restated in his letter today. For that reason, the People advised defendant that we saw no basis to disturb the Court's determination and did not consent to his request.

The schedule the Court set is well within the Court's discretion and consistent with the Court's obligation to advance each case expeditiously. Because defendant's arguments for dismissal relate in part to the current presidential transition period, which ends in about eight weeks, prompt presentation and resolution of defendant's arguments is appropriate. In addition, tethering this Court's schedule to the briefing schedule in two different pre-trial cases in different courts—which could themselves be adjusted based on the decisions of independent actors, including the parties and those courts—presents a possibility of future adjournment requests that should be avoided.

That said, the People are prepared to brief our opposition to defendant's motion to dismiss on the original schedule or any adjusted schedule the Court sets.

Defendant's continued baseless accusations directed at the People and this Court have no bearing on his extension request and do not merit a response.

Respectfully Submitted,

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