

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

CASE NO. 19-cr-00341

v.

JOSE M. GONZALEZ-TESTINO,

Defendant.

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**DEFENDANT JOSE M. GONZALEZ-TESTINO'S UNOPPOSED MOTION  
FOR TEMPORARY RELEASE OF THE PASSPORT OF  
WALTER ALEXANDER GONZALEZ-TESTINO**

COMES NOW, Defendant, Jose M. Gonzalez-Testino ("Gonzalez-Testino"), by and through undersigned counsel, respectfully requests the temporary release of the passport of his brother, Walter Alexander Gonzalez-Testino, for the purpose of traveling from Miami to Ontario Canada to from September 12-16, 2019. In support of hereof, Mr. Gonzalez-Testino states:

1. On or about May 29, 2019, Mr. Gonzalez-Testino appeared before this court and plead guilty to a three count criminal information.

2. On July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, this Honorable Court entered its Appearance Bond Order with Conditions of Release [DE 59] ("the Order") and the Defendant was released on bond pending sentencing. He has been fully compliant with the terms of his bond.

3. According to the Order, one of the Co-Sureties is the Defendant's brother Walter Alexander Gonzalez Testino ("Alexander"). [¶ 6]

4. Under the terms of ¶ 8(1) of the Order, the co-sureties, including, Walter Alexander Gonzalez Testino, surrendered their passports to the Clerk under the further condition that they

“shall not travel outside of the United States without the permission of U.S. Pretrial Services, Probation and the Government.” Consequently, all three co-sureties surrendered their passports to the Clerk of Court on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Alexander surrendered both his American and Venezuelan passports.

5. Alexander is requesting the temporary release of his American Passport along with leave to travel together with his wife to Ontario Canada for the wedding of her niece. A copy of the invitation to the wedding is Exhibit “A” hereto. In June of this year, Alexander purchased American Airlines tickets to depart Miami, Florida for Ontario Canada on September 12th and return on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

6. Both U.S. Probation and the Government have indicated that they do not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Court is respectfully requested to enter the attached Order authorizing the Clerk of Court to temporarily release the United States Passport of Walter Alexander Gonzalez Testino to be returned to the Clerk forthwith upon his return.

Respectfully submitted,  
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**CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

Counsel for Mr. Gonzalez-Testino has conferred with Sarah E. Edwards, Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Fraud Section, with respect to this motion and the Government is unopposed.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY on this 13th day of August, 2019, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF. I also certify the foregoing document is being served this day on all counsel of record either via transmission of Notices of Electronic Filing generated by CM/ECF or in another authorized manner for those counsel or parties not authorized to receive electronically Notices of Electronic Filing.

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/s/ Edward R. Shohat

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**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT JOSE M. GONZALEZ-TESTINO'S  
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THIS CAUSE, having come before the Court and the Court having reviewed Defendant Jose M. Gonzalez-Testino's Unopposed Motion for Release of Passports of Walter Alexander Gonzalez-Testino and having been otherwise fully advised in this matter, and there being no opposition, it is hereby,

ORDERED and ADJUDGED that said Motion is hereby GRANTED. The United States Probation Office shall temporarily release the passport of Walter Alexander Gonzalez which will be returned to U.S. Probation upon his return.

DONE AND ORDERED in Houston, Texas, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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GRAY H. MILLER  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

cc: Counsel of Record