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The Honorable Kathryn L. Quaintance Fourth Judicial District Court 300 South 6th Street, C-11 Minneapolis, MN 55487

Re: State v. Mohamed Noor (Court File Number: 27-CR-18-6859)

Dear Judge Quaintance:

On behalf of Court TV, this application is submitted for permission to televise the trial in the above-referenced case, currently scheduled to begin April 1, 2019.

In our experience, we have found that the use of multiple cameras provides for the least intrusive and most accurate means of covering a trial. Therefore, Court TV seeks permission to place multiple in the courtroom. Our equipment is compact, stationary and quiet, and requires no enhanced lighting. The cameras are placed where they cannot film jurors.

Court TV also proposes to place a sufficient number of microphones to accurately depict the court proceedings. Court TV only broadcasts statements made by an attorney, witness or judge in open court. We have well-developed safeguards in place to protect against inadvertently recording privileged conversations.

Court TV is willing to work with the Court and its staff regarding the placement of cameras and microphones, and will abide by any and all instructions issued by the Court regarding camera coverage.

Court TV is also prepared to cooperate in a pooling arrangement with other media entities whose application to broadcast the proceedings may be granted. We would agree to operate the cameras and serve as the pool feed for other media outlets, including local television stations.

We would appreciate that any written objections to this request be served upon us and that we are notified of any hearings regarding media coverage of this matter.

In the meantime, please contact me at 770-672-6578 if you have any questions or need additional information about this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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