

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

HENNEPIN COUNTY

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

State of Minnesota,

File No. 27-CR-18-6859

The Honorable Kathryn L. Quaintance

Plaintiff,

vs.

**NOTICE OF MOTION AND
MOTION OF MEDIA COALITION
OBJECTING TO ORDERS THAT
INTERFERE WITH FIRST
AMENDMENT NEWSGATHERING
AND REPORTING ACTIVITIES**

Mohamed Noor,

Defendant.

TO: The Honorable Kathryn L. Quaintance, Fourth Judicial District Court Judge; Amy E. Sweasy and Patrick R. Lofton, Assistant Hennepin County Attorneys, attorneys for State of Minnesota; and Thomas C. Plunkett and Peter B. Wold, attorneys for Defendant Mohamed Noor

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Star Tribune Media Company LLC, CBS Broadcasting Inc., Minnesota Public Radio, TEGNA Inc., and Fox/UTV Holdings, LLC (collectively, the “Media Coalition”) make the following motion, objecting to any order, oral or written, which (1) constitutes a *de facto* closure of the courtroom by virtue of permitting certain evidence—including, but not limited to, video footage and photographs—to be viewed only by the jury and other trial participants and not by the press and public and (2) bars the courtroom sketch artist from depicting trial participants or otherwise bars members of the press from reporting on what transpires during the trial and/or on statements trial participants make outside the courtroom. This motion is based upon a contemporaneously filed memorandum, the affidavit of Leita Walker and the exhibits attached thereto, and all the files, records, and proceedings herein.

This motion will be heard at a time and place to be determined by the Court.

Dated: April 2, 2019

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