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February 20, 2014

Franklin County Clerk of Court ATTN: CRIMINAL SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION Franklin County Courthouse 102 S. Main Street Louisburg, NC 27549

State v. Shannon Zach Nyamodi; 12 CRS 51877-9; Franklin County Superior Court Re:

Dear Sir or Madame:

Please find enclosed three copies of a Motion to Continue, which I am filing in the abovereferenced matter. Please file stamp all of the copies. Place one copy in your office's file, a second copy in the box maintained in your office for the District Attorney, and return the other copy to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely,

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# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

### IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION 12 CRS 51877 - 9

| STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, vs. SHANNON ZACH NYAMODI, Defendant. | i | ) ) ) ) )      | MOTION TO CONTINUE | 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 |
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NOW COMES the Defendant, Shannon Zach Nyamodi, by and through the undersigned counsel, Maitri "Mike" Klinkosum, Attorney at Law, pursuant to the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, Article 1 §§ 19 and 23 of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 48 of the North Carolina General Statutes, and N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 15A-501(6), 15A-903(c) & (d), N.C.Gen.Stat. § 15A-1415(f), and hereby moves this Court to continue the above-referenced matters from the March 3, 2014 Criminal Superior Court Trial Calender. In support of for the foregoing objection, the Defendant would show unto the Court as follows:

- 1. The Defendant is charged in the above-referenced matters with one count each of Larceny of a Firearm, Assault with a Deadly Weapon with Intent to Kill Inflicting Serious Injury, Attempted First-Degree Murder, Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, Conspiracy to Commit Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, and Conspiracy to Commit Murder.
- 2. At the last administrative hearing on these matters, which occurred on January 21, 2014, these matters were continued to the March 3, 2014 term of Criminal Superior Court for Franklin County. The matters were continued because undersigned counsel began jury selection in a capital murder trial on January 6, 2014, which was still proceeding on January 21, 2014.
- 3. During a meeting on December 16, 2013 between the prosecution and the defense, undersigned counsel informed the prosecution that he anticipated that he would begin jury selection in a capital first-degree murder trial on January 6, 2014 and that the trial would last for several months.
- Undersigned counsel would aver to the Court that he has, in fact, been in jury selection for a capital first-degree murder trial (<u>State v. Jonathan</u> <u>Douglas Richardson</u>; 10 CRS 3981 – 83; 54369, 54426; 11 CRS 3021 –

22; Johnston County Superior Court). Jury selection in the trial ended on February 18, 2014 and opening statements and the presentation of the State's case will commence on February 24, 2014.

- 5. Both the prosecution and the defense in <u>State v. Richardson</u> anticipate the actual trial of the matter will last between four to six weeks.
- 6. As such, undersigned counsel does not anticipate being finished with the <a href="State v. Richardson">State v. Richardson</a> trial until the end of March or early April, 2014.
- 7. Due to the fact that undersigned counsel is currently involved in a capital first-degree murder trial, he will be unable to engage in a hearing or otherwise attend the calendar call for the charges in this matter during the March 3, 2014 term of Criminal Superior Court for Franklin County.
- 8. Further, as stated above, undersigned counsel and the prosecution have been involved in negotiations regarding a non-trial resolution to this matter, which negotiations are still on-going. Undersigned counsel can, at this time, state the he believes this matter will be resolved without a trial.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant respectfully prays unto this Honorable Court to continue this matter from the March 3, 2014 term of Criminal Superior Court for Franklin County

This the 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.

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This shall certify that a copy of the foregoing *Motion to Continue* was this day served upon the District Attorney by the following method:

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This the 20th day of February, 2014.

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