KNOX, SS	UNIFIED CRIMINAL DOCKET LOCATED IN ROCKLAND Docket No. KNOCD-CR-2024-413
STATE OF MAINE	
v. }	
AZIAYH SCOTT	MOTION TO AMEND BAIL (FILED USING SHAREFILE)

Defendant

NOW COMES the Defendant, Aziayh Scott, through undersigned counsel, Christopher K. MacLean, Esq., and moves to amend bail pursuant to 15 M.R.S. § 1026, as follows.

- 1. Defendant made his initial appearance on the charge of Manslaughter (Class A) on July 22, 2024.
- 2. Defendant has been released on secured pre-conviction bail in the amount of \$50,000.
- 3. Defendant's current bail conditions require him to be on house arrest except for medical, work, court appearances, attorney appointments, and weekly laundromat visits.
- 4. This matter proceeded to a jury trial before this Court beginning on November 4, 2025. On November 12, 2025, the jury reported that it was unable to reach a unanimous verdict and the court declared a mistrial due to a hung jury.
- 5. The Knox County jury, after hearing all the evidence presented by the State, could not unanimously agree that Defendant had committed any crime. This result significantly alters the bail analysis because it signals that the

evidence against Defendant is less compelling than the State believed and that there is an increased likelihood that Defendant will ultimately be acquitted. The State may choose to retry Defendant, but it is reasonable to modify the bail conditions since the State's evidence has been tested and the State failed to secure a conviction.

- 6. The Defendant has continuously been compliant with all bail conditions since his release on July 25, 2025.
- 7. Defendant's bail conditions include remaining on GPS monitoring, adhering to house arrest at his residence in Rockland, Maine, and prohibitions from having any contact with Shaneka Washington or children under the age of 18 except in the course of his employment.
- 8. The State has not alleged any violations of bail conditions during the pendency of this case.
- 9. Defendant respectfully requests that the Court amend the bail conditions as follows:
 - A. Reduce the cash bail from \$50,000 to an amount the Court deems reasonable given that Defendant has demonstrated reliability and compliance over the course of the proceedings and considering that the case has resulted in a mistrial;
 - B. Remove the GPS monitoring requirement and house arrest conditions thereby permitting the Defendant to return to his home in New Orleans, Louisiana where he would reside with his parents and has longstanding community ties and employment opportunities;

- C. Remove the no-contact provisions prohibiting Defendant from having contact with Shaneka Washington, the mother of Quayshawn Wilson. The State did not call Ms. Washington as a witness to their case so there is no risk of harm in permitting contact between Ms. Washington and Defendant;
- D. Remove the no-contact provisions prohibiting Defendant from having contact with his own children, as there have been no allegations of interference, intimidation, or risk of harm during the pendency of this case;
- E. Retain only those conditions which the Court deems necessary to ensure his appearance and the safety of the community.
- 10. Defendant has appeared at every court hearing during the pendency of this case, has complied with all bail conditions, and has demonstrated that he poses no risk of flight or danger.
- 11. Continued enforcement of restrictive bail conditions such as house arrest in Rockland, Maine and GPS monitoring imposes unnecessary hardship and financial burden given Defendant's compliance and the uncertain timeline before any retrial.
- 12. Assistant Attorney General Jennifer Ackerman, attorney for the State, objects to this Amendment.

WHEREFORE, Defendant respectfully requests this Honorable Court amend his bail conditions to reduce his cash bail, remove the GPS monitoring and house arrest requirement; permit Defendant to reside in New Orleans, Louisiana pending further proceedings; remove the no-contact conditions prohibiting contact between Defendant and Shaneka Washington and his children, and grant such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: 1/15/2075

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this <u>15</u> day of September, 2025, a copy of the foregoing Motion to Amend Bail was served electronically on Jennifer Ackerman, Assistant Attorney General, via email at <u>Jennifer F. Ackerman@maine.gov</u>.

Clamache #11202 For Affry. MacLean, Esq.