

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

ETHAN NORDEAN,

Defendant.

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Case No. 1:21-cr-175

District Judge Timothy J. Kelly

DECLARATION OF MICHAEL GRAVES

I, MICHAEL GRAVES, a resident of the State of New York, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

1. I am a singer-songwriter who used to lead the Misfits, a punk-rock band.
2. On January 5, 2021, I came to Washington, D.C. to perform music at a rally held by Latinos for Trump.
3. On January 5, 2021, I had conversations with the defendant in this case, Ethan Nordean, whom I knew as “Rufio,” in Washington, D.C.
4. In those conversations, Mr. Nordean proposed that I perform for Mr. Nordean and the fellow members of his group at a residence in Washington, D.C., which they rented through Airbnb. His original proposal was that I perform at the Airbnb residence on the evening of January 5. However, that proposal did not end up panning out. Mr. Nordean then proposed that I perform at the residence on January 6.
5. Given the timing of my performance for Latinos for Trump, Mr. Nordean’s proposal that I perform at his Airbnb residence on January 6 would mean that I would have probably arrived at the residence at approximately 3-4 p.m., had the events on January 6 at

Capitol not transpired.

Executed on March 25, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,



Michale Graves

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DECLARATION OF ARTURO SANTAELLA

I, ARTURO SANTAELLA, a resident of the State of Maryland, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

1. I am the manager for Michale Graves, a singer-songwriter who used to lead the Misfits, a punk-rock band.
2. Late in the day on January 5, 2021 and in the morning of January 6, 2021, I had conversations with the defendant in this case, Ethan Nordean, whom I knew as "Rufio," in Washington, D.C.
3. In those conversations, Mr. Nordean proposed that Mr. Graves perform for Mr. Nordean and the fellow members of his group at a residence in Washington, D.C., which they rented through Airbnb for January 5 and January 6.
4. Specifically, in those January 5 and January 6 conversations, Mr. Nordean proposed that Mr. Graves perform music at the Airbnb residence between approximately three to four p.m. eastern time on January 6, 2021.

Executed on March 25, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,


Arturo Santaella



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Nordean

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As of this writing, Mr. Nordean remains in compliance with his conditions of release.

Ben Beetham

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