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STATE OF MONTANA, ) Cause No. DC-13-287  
)  
Plaintiff, ) Yellowstone County District Court  
) Montana Thirteenth Judicial District  
)  
-vs- )  
)  
BRUCE ALLEN GARAY, ) **ORDER TO CONTINUE SENTENCE**  
) **REVIEW HEARING AND APPOINT**  
) **PUBLIC DEFENDER**  
)  
Defendant. )

On May 5, 2022, the Defendant's Application for review of sentence was scheduled to be heard by the Sentence Review Division of the Montana Supreme Court (hereafter "the Division") by Zoom videoconference. The Defendant appeared pro se from the Montana State Prison. The State was not represented. Libby Snedeker, the victim, was present.

The Division informed the Defendant of his right to be represented by counsel for his sentence review hearing with the understanding that his hearing would be continued to the next round of hearings in August 2022. The Defendant acknowledged this and asked the Division to appoint new counsel to represent him in this matter and that his hearing be continued to the next round of hearings in August, 2022. For good cause appearing therefor;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Sentence Review Hearing be continued to the next available sentence review hearings scheduled for August 4 – 5, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the State Public Defender appoint new counsel to represent the Defendant for his sentence review hearing. Notice will be sent at least thirty (30) days prior providing the actual date and time of the hearing.

Dated this 9th day of May, 2022.

  
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Hon. Jessica Fehr, Chair  
SENTENCE REVIEW DIVISION

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I mailed a true copy of the forgoing *Order to Continue Sentence Review Hearing and Appoint Public Defender* by depositing the same in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or via electronic service this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022, to the following:

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