

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

GREER M. LYNCH  
CLERK OF COURT

MADELINE H. HAIKALA  
CHIEF JUDGE

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

RE: Journalist Guidance - *Muhammad et. al. v. Waggoner et. al.* (Case No. 2:26-cv-00292-AMM)

This Public Notice provides administrative guidance related to the following pending case: *Muhammad et. al. v. Waggoner et. al.* Please refer to the Public Access to Court Electronic Records ([PACER](#)) system for case-specific details.

A hearing is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. CT on April 3, 2026, in the U.S. District Courtroom located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Robert S. Vance Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, 1800 5th Ave. N., Birmingham, AL 35203. Courtroom gallery seating will be first come, first served, and vacant seats are open to members of the public.

Under [Local Rule](#) 83.2, photography and broadcasting of any kind are prohibited “in or from the courtrooms or their environs during the progress of, or in connection with, any judicial proceeding . . . .” Accordingly, no visitors will be allowed to operate any electronic devices within the courtroom. Visitors may be removed from the courtroom for any reason at the discretion of Court Security Officers without question.

The Jury Assembly Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Hugo L. Black U.S. Courthouse, at 1729 5th Ave. N., Birmingham, AL 35203, will act as a Media Room, where audio and video of the proceedings will be streamed and certain electronic devices such as laptops and cell phones may be used. This venue is provided as a courtesy for media and to allow for overflow space. Photography, audio recording, video recording, and broadcasting of any kind are prohibited in the Media Room. Both the U.S. District Courtroom and the Media Room will be opened to the public at 1:00 p.m.

Clerk’s Office staff are prohibited from providing information to media or the public related to pending case actions before the court. Journalists may contact the Clerk’s Office with inquiries via email at [media@alnd.uscourts.gov](mailto:media@alnd.uscourts.gov). The inbox is monitored by the Clerk of Court and Chief Deputy Clerk of Court. Submission of a question or request does not guarantee that a response will be provided, but the Clerk’s Office will make every effort to respond to all inquiries.

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