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STATE GRAND JURY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

**MARGARET J. SELF
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State of South Carolina,)	Case Nos.: 2021-GS-47-27, 2021-GS-47-28
)	2021-GS-47-29, 2021-GS-47-30
)	2021-GS-47-31, 2021-GS-47-32
)	2021-GS-47-33, 2021-GS-47-34
vs.)	2021-GS-47-35, 2021-GS-47-36
)	2021-GS-47-37, 2021-GS-47-38
Richard Alexander Murdaugh,)	
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Defendant)	
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**ORDER ON
RECONSIDERATION
OF BOND**

This matter came before the Court on a Motion to Reconsider Bond filed on behalf of the Defendant Richard Alexander Murdaugh. A hearing was conducted on Monday, January 10, 2022 by WebEx. Present at the hearing were Creighton Waters, Esq., on behalf of the State of South Carolina and Richard Harpootlian, Esq. and James Griffin, Esq. on behalf of the Defendant. Attorneys Eric Bland, Esq., Ronald Richter, Esq., and Justin Bamberg, Esq. appeared on behalf of victims cited in some of the State Grand Jury indictments.

During the hearing the defense presented the testimony of John T. Lay, Esq., one of the receivers appointed by the Honorable Daniel Hall to manage the financial accounts and property of Defendant. Additionally, Mr. Bland and Mr. Bamberg spoke on behalf of their clients. The Court also heard from Mr. Thomas Moore, another victim cited in a State Grand Jury indictment. Counsel on behalf of the State and the Defendant made further arguments to the Court relating to ability to post a bond, flight risk, and danger to the community.

After considering all of the information provided, this Court finds that the current bond is reasonable to assure his appearance in court as Defendant remains a flight risk and potential danger to himself and the community. Defendant's motion to reconsider and reduce the bond is **DENIED**.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.



 ALISON RENEE LEE
 Presiding Judge of the State Grand Jury

Columbia, South Carolina
January 18, 2022