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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
7 AT SEATTLE

8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

9 Plaintiff,

10 vs.

11 SCHUYLER P. BARBEAU

12 Defendant.

} CASE NO. CR15-391RAJ

} PETITION FOR REDRESS OF
} GRIEVANCES

} EX PARTE

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14 COMES NOW, Schuyler P. Barbeau, on my own behalf, to
15 petition this Court for redress of grievances. I was
16 appointed Robert Gombiner from the CIA Panel in December.
17 We have met once a week, nearly every week since,
18 which has been great overall. However, all this time we
19 have been working to figure out what kind of arguments to
20 raise for pretrial motion and other motions as well. I
21 have been working on my arguments and challenges for the
22 last 15 months. I have studied case law for all of it. For
23 hours, every day, I work on my case. My attorney says all
24 my work is frivolous. I have spent months drafting several
25 motions, revising, researching, revising again. Then, when
26 I present my best to my attorney, he says it's all frivolous,
27 and that all my arguments have no merit, and that none of it
28 makes any sense. He has refused to file anything I have

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1 given him and every other request. He has offered to file his
2 own motions but not anything I have written. It's unacceptable
3 to me. I have spent countless hours reading, researching,
4 digesting, and pondering in these specific areas of federal
5 law, also the case law. I have developed important
6 arguments to raise yet my attorney has said it's all pointless.
7 This is not fair to me. Mr. Gombiner has told me his personal
8 views on firearms - that he doesn't believe ~~any~~ anybody should
9 have any guns period. He told me that before I can convince
10 a Judge, I have to convince him. How can I convince
11 someone of my position who is completely anti-gun, let alone
12 machine guns? Mr. Gombiner has essentially become my
13 Judge, Jury, and executioner. He told me that if I want
14 ~~to~~ my motions filed, then I need to file them myself. So
15 that is what I want to do.

16 For redress, I am requesting this Court to allow me
17 to proceed from this day forward as Pro Se, to schedule
18 a Farretta hearing at the earliest convenience, to
19 appoint a new counselour as standby counsel, and to move
20 my motions filing deadline back at least one month to
21 allow me to type up my draft motions and get them
22 mailed to the Court. I do not need to reschedule the
23 June 5th trial date.

24 Dated this 8th day of March, 2017.

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26 Respectfully Submitted,
27 *Schuyler Barbeau*
28 Schuyler Barbeau

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