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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SCHUYLER P. BARBEAU

Defendant.

CASE NO. CR15-391RAJ

PETITION FOR REDRESS OF GRIEVENCES

EX PARTE

COMES NOW, Schuyler P. Barbeau, on my own behalf, to petition this Court for redress of grievences. I was appointed Robert Gombiner from the CJA Panel in December. We have met once a week nearly every week since, which has been great overall. However, all this time we have been working to figure out what kind of arguments to raise by pretrial motion and other motions as well. I have been working on my arguments and challenges for the last fifteen months. I have studied caselaw for all of it. For hours every day, I work on my case. My attorney says all my work is frivilous. I have spent months drafting several motions, revising, researching, revising again. Then, when I present my best to my attorney, he says it's all frivilous, and that all my arguments have no merit, and none of it makes any sense. He has refused to file anything I have given him and every other request. He has offered to file his own motions but not anything PETITION FOR REDRESS OF GRIEVENCES - 1

I have written. It's unacceptable to me. I have spent countless hours reading, researching, digesting, and pondering in these specific areas of Federal law and also the case law. I have developed important arguments to raise yet my attorney has said it's all pointless. This is not fair to me. Mr. Gombiner has told me his personal views on firearms - that he doesn't believe anybody should have any guns period. He told me, that before I can convince a Judge, I have to convince him. How can I convince someone of my position who is completely anti-gun, let alone machineguns? Mr. Gombiner has essentially become my Judge, Jury, and Executioner. Up to this point in his representation, he has been ineffective. He has thrown me under the bus by refusing to help me get my arguments and questions of law to the Court to decide and waiting until the filing deadline to file a motion he wrote based off of mine. I didn't want him to file his version, but he forced it by telling me that if I want my motions to be filed, that I needed to represent myself, and by waiting all the way until the deadline. Now, the very important issues I wanted to raise to this court and to preserve on the record for appeals, some being challenges to Supreme Court precedent, so my arguments are for the Supreme Court and I have been careful to craft my arguments to make it all the way to the Supreme Court, but now my attorney has sabotaged my case because he has bias against guns. He told me that if I want my motions filed, then I need to file them myself, pro se, but he told me this a week before the filing deadline. So that is what I want to do.

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For redress, I am requesting this Court to allow me to proceed pro se from now on, to schedule a Farretta hearing at the PETITION FOR REDRESS OF GRIEVENCES - 2

earliest convenience, to appoint a new counselor as standby counsel, to move my motions filing deadline back to give me at least one month to type up my drafted motions and get them mailed to the Court, and because of these issues I am having with this attorney, compounded by the issues with the previous attorneys, I may need more time to prepare for trial.

I have sent a similar Petition for Redress of Grievences on dated March 8, 2017 and it has gone unanswered so far up to todays date of March 27, 2017. I am resending with this Petition for Redress.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Schuyler P. Barbeau

Petitioner

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