

Plea Agreements & Plea Agreement Supplements

In light of concerns for the safety of criminal defendants, law enforcement officers, and court personnel, the Court will implement a procedure to uniformly treat Plea Agreements so that the internet public cannot identify cooperating defendants. Plea Agreements must no longer identify whether a criminal defendant has agreed to cooperate with the United States. A second document entitled "Plea Agreement Supplement" must be filed under seal in conjunction with every Plea Agreement. If a criminal defendant has agreed to cooperate, the Plea Agreement Supplement must contain the cooperation agreement. If the criminal defendant and the United States have not entered into a cooperation agreement, the Plea Agreement Supplement will indicate that no such agreement exists. All Plea Agreements and Plea Agreement Supplements must be filed prior to the change of plea hearing.

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