IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs. BRANDON HEARD, Defendant.	**8:15CR343** DETENTION ORDER PENDING TRIAL

A. **Order For Detention**

After conducting a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f) of the Bail Reform Act, the Court orders the above-named defendant detained pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e) and (I).

B. **Statement Of Reasons For The Detention**

The Court orders the defendant's detention because it finds:

_X_ By a preponderance of the evidence that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as required.

_X_ By clear and convincing evidence that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the safety of any other person or the community.

C. **Finding Of Fact**

The Court's findings are based on the evidence which was presented in court and that which was contained in the Pretrial Services Report, and includes the following:

_X_ (1) Nature and circumstances of the offense charged:

_X_ (a) The crime: (Count I) Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organization Conspiracy, and (Counts VI and VII) Distribution of Cocaine Base are serious crimes and carry a maximum penalty of 20 years imprisonment per count.

____ (b) The offense is a crime of violence.

_X_ (c) The offense involves a narcotic drug.

____ (d) The offense involves a large amount of controlled substances, to wit: _____

____ (2) The weight of the evidence against the defendant is high.

_X_ (3) The history and characteristics of the defendant including:

(a) General Factors:

____ The defendant appears to have a mental condition which may affect whether the defendant will appear.

____ The defendant has no family ties in the area.

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____ The defendant has no steady employment.
____ The defendant has no substantial financial resources.
____ The defendant is not a long time resident of the community.
____ The defendant does not have any significant community ties.
____ Past conduct of the defendant:
__X__ The defendant has a history relating to drug abuse.
____ The defendant has a history relating to alcohol abuse.
____ The defendant has a significant prior criminal record.
__X__ The defendant has a prior record of failure to appear at court proceedings.

(b) At the time of the current arrest, the defendant was on:
____ Probation
____ Parole
____ Supervised Release
____ Release pending trial, sentence, appeal or completion of sentence.

(c) Other Factors:
____ The defendant is an illegal alien and is subject to deportation.
____ The defendant is a legal alien and will be subject to deportation if convicted.
____ The Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (BICE) has placed a detainer with the U.S. Marshal.
__X__ Other: Eleven warrants for Failure to Pay or Appear.

__X__ (4) The nature and seriousness of the danger posed by the defendant's release are as follows: Prior convictions (Sexual Assault in 2004) and (Felony Robbery in 2009).

__X__ (5) **Rebuttable Presumptions**

In determining that the defendant should be detained, the Court also relied on the following rebuttable presumption(s) contained in 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e) which the Court finds the defendant has not rebutted:

__X__ (a) That no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as required and the safety of any other person and the community because the Court finds that the crime involves:
____ (1) A crime of violence; or
____ (2) An offense for which the maximum penalty is life imprisonment or death; or
__X__ (3) A controlled substance violation which has a maximum penalty of 10 years or more; or
____ (4) A felony after the defendant had been convicted of two or more prior offenses described in (1) through (3) above, and the defendant has a prior conviction

for one of the crimes mentioned in (1) through (3) above which is less than five years old and which was committed while the defendant was on pretrial release.

_X_ (b) That no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as required and the safety of the community because the Court finds that there is probable cause to believe:

_X_ (1) That the defendant has committed a controlled substance violation which has a maximum penalty of 10 years or more.

____ (2) That the defendant has committed an offense under 18 U.S.C. § 924(c) (uses or carries a firearm during and in relation to any crime of violence, including a crime of violence, which provides for an enhanced punishment if committed by the use of a deadly or dangerous weapon or device).

D. **Additional Directives**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(i)(2)-(4), the Court directs that:

1. The defendant be committed to the custody of the Attorney General for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal; and
2. The defendant be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with counsel; and
3. That, on order of a court of the United States, or on request of an attorney for the government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in which the defendant is confined deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

DATED this 4th day of February, 2016.

BY THE COURT:

s/ F.A. Gossett, III
United States Magistrate Judge