

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION**

CLERK'S MINUTES

CASE NO.: 8:19-cr-605-WFJ-CPT	DATE: April 18, 2022	
HONORABLE WILLIAM F. JUNG	INTERPERTER: N/A	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA v. MICHAEL J. DACORTA	GOVERNMENT COUNSEL Rachelle DesVaux Bedke, AUSA David Chee, AUSA Francis Murray, AUSA	
	DEFENSE COUNSEL Adam Allen, AFPD Russell Rosenthal, AFPD Sylvia Irvin, AFPD	
COURT REPORTER: Tracey Aurelio	DEPUTY CLERK:	Caleb Houston
TIME: 9:10 AM – 10:42 AM, 10:59 AM – 12:30 PM, 1:15 PM – 3:43 PM, 3:57 PM – 4:52 PM TOTAL: 6 Hours 26 Minutes	COURTROOM:	17

PROCEEDINGS: JURY SELECTION/ JURY TRIAL - DAY 1

9:10 AM Court in session

Counsel identified for the record.
Present for Government: Rachelle DesVaux Bedke, David Chee, and Francis Murray.
Seated at the Government's table: Special Agent Shawn Batsch, IRS
Present for Defendant: Adam Allen, Russel Rosenthal, and Sylvia Irvin.

9:14 AM Court addressed the Jury Panel and *Voir Dire* begins.

10:39 AM Panel excused for morning break.

10:42 AM Court in recess.

10:59 AM Court back in session

11:11 AM Jurors recalled into the courtroom. *Voir Dire* continues.

12:28 PM Panel excused for lunch break.

12:30 PM Court in recess.

1:15 PM Court back in session.

1:54 PM Jurors selected and sworn before the Court.

1:59 PM Opening statement made by Government's counsel, Francis Murray, AUSA.

2:14 PM Opening statement made by Defense counsel, Adam Allen, AFPD.

3:43 PM Court in recess. Jurors exit the courtroom.

3:57 PM Court back in session.

4:01 PM Jurors recalled into the courtroom.

4:06 PM **Government Witness #1:** Stephen Howland (Sworn).
Direct examination by Francis Murray, AUSA.
Cross examination by Russel Rosenthal, AFPD.
Witness excused.

4:52 PM Jurors excused for the evening.
Court in recess.
Court will reconvene at 9:00am tomorrow morning.