

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION,
Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 8:19-cv-00886-VMC-SPF

OASIS INTERNATIONAL GROUP, LIMITED, et al.,
Defendants.

**MICHAEL J. DACORTA'S TIME-SENSITIVE MOTION FOR LIMITED EXTENSION OF
AUGUST 24, 2026 DEADLINE UNTIL TEN DAYS AFTER HIS RETURN TO HIS DESIGNATED
BUREAU OF PRISONS FACILITY**

Defendant Michael J. DaCorta, proceeding **pro se**, respectfully moves under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(b)(1)(A) for a limited extension of the August 24, 2026 deadline established at the August 7, 2026 show-cause hearing. This motion is **TIME-SENSITIVE** because DaCorta remains confined at the Pinellas County Jail following that hearing and has not been returned to his designated Bureau of Prisons facility at the Coleman Camp, where his legal materials and ordinary means of preparing his filing are available. DaCorta respectfully requests a ruling by **August 24, 2026**, and preferably by August 21, 2026 if practicable. He requests that his deadline be extended until **ten (10) days after his actual return to his designated facility at Coleman**, for the following reasons.

1. At the August 7, 2026 hearing, the Court directed the Receiver to submit proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law, and proposed orders by August 24, 2026. The Court then asked DaCorta whether he wished to present anything in writing. DaCorta requested the option to do so, and the Court established August 24 as his deadline. (Aug. 7, 2026 Hr'g Tr. at 134–36.)
2. The Court explained that the August 24 date was selected because of the Court's staffing, scheduling, and other pending obligations and its desire to resolve the matter promptly. DaCorta understood and respects those concerns. This motion does not seek delay for convenience or for purposes of postponing resolution of the contempt proceeding.

3. At the conclusion of that same hearing, DaCorta specifically advised the Court of his concern about being returned from the Pinellas County Jail to Coleman and asked whether his return could be expedited. The Court explained that his transfer was within the responsibility of the United States Marshals Service and the Bureau of Prisons and that the Court was not able to order those agencies to transfer him back to Coleman expeditiously. (Id. at 136–37.)
4. As of the date of this Motion, DaCorta remains confined at the Pinellas County Jail. His continued detention there following the hearing, and the timing of his return to Coleman, are matters outside his control.
5. DaCorta is now proceeding **pro se** following the withdrawal of his former counsel. He therefore has no attorney who can prepare, review, approve, or file the contemplated post-hearing submission on his behalf.
6. While temporarily confined at the Pinellas County Jail, DaCorta does not have meaningful access to the legal files, research materials, source documents, and working materials necessary for him to review and complete the substantial post-hearing submission contemplated by the Court. In particular, he cannot presently meaningfully review the developing memorandum, compare it against the evidentiary record, request necessary corrections or revisions, and personally complete the filing in the manner he could at his designated Bureau of Prisons facility.
7. This circumstance was neither requested nor created by DaCorta. Indeed, he brought the transfer problem to the Court's attention before the August 7 hearing concluded. At that time, neither DaCorta nor the Court could know that he would remain at the Pinellas County Jail for an extended period after the hearing.
8. Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(b)(1)(A) permits the Court, for good cause, to extend a period established by court order when the request is made before the original period expires. Good cause exists here because DaCorta's inability meaningfully to prepare and review his filing results from his continued temporary confinement and delayed transfer rather than from lack of diligence.

9. DaCorta recognizes that the Court stated at the hearing that August 24 was the final date available within the Court's anticipated schedule. He therefore does not make this request lightly. The circumstance giving rise to the request, however, is the very transfer issue that DaCorta raised with the Court before leaving the courtroom and that the Court correctly explained was controlled by the Marshals Service and Bureau of Prisons.

10. A limited extension until ten days after DaCorta is actually returned to Coleman would provide a definite and modest period in which he can regain access to his materials, review the evidentiary and legal record, review the proposed submission being prepared for him, identify any necessary corrections, and personally complete his filing.

11. DaCorta proposes to notify the Court promptly upon his return to Coleman and to identify in that notice the resulting tenth-day filing deadline. Thus, although the date of his transfer is presently outside his control, the duration of the requested extension after his return would be fixed and limited.

12. The requested extension would not require the Receiver to postpone his own August 24 submission or redo any portion of his evidentiary presentation. It would simply preserve DaCorta's meaningful opportunity, as an incarcerated pro se litigant, to make the written submission that the Court expressly permitted him to make after the hearing.

WHEREFORE, Michael J. DaCorta respectfully requests that the Court:

- (a) extend his August 24, 2026 deadline for his post-hearing written submission until **ten (10) days after his actual return to his designated Bureau of Prisons facility at the Coleman Camp**;
- (b) direct DaCorta promptly to notify the Court of the date of his return and the resulting filing deadline; and
- (c) alternatively, if the Court prefers a fixed calendar date rather than a deadline measured from his return, grant such other limited extension as will afford DaCorta a reasonable opportunity after restoration of access to his legal materials to personally review and complete his submission.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Michael J. DaCorta
Michael J. DaCorta, pro se
BOP Register No. 73181-018
Currently confined at:
Pinellas County Jail
Clearwater, Florida
Date: August 18, 2026

REQUEST TO EXCUSE PREFILING CONFERENCE

DaCorta is presently incarcerated at the Pinellas County Jail, is proceeding pro se, and presently lacks the ordinary means available to a represented litigant to conduct the prefiling conference required by Local Rule 3.01(g). He therefore respectfully requests that the Court temporarily suspend the prefiling-conferal requirement for this Motion pursuant to Local Rule 1.01(b). A copy of this Motion is being served upon counsel for the Receiver by email, and DaCorta will promptly supplement this filing with the Receiver's position if he is able to obtain it.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on August 18, 2026, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by email upon counsel for the Court-appointed Receiver, Jared J. Perez, at jared.perez@jaredperezlaw.com, and upon counsel for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission at the email address of record.

/s/ Michael J. DaCorta
Michael J. DaCorta, pro se

August 18, 2026

Clerk of Court

United States District Court
Middle District of Florida

Re: Michael J. DaCorta, pro se
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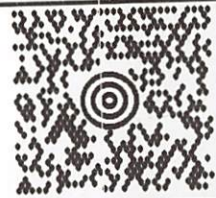
Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,

/s/ Michael J. DaCorta
Michael J. DaCorta, pro se
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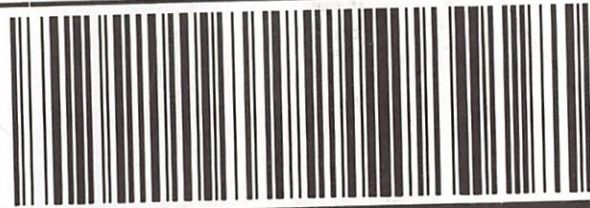


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