

Chris Ferrell's lawyer asking for a lower bond in bar shooting case

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The attorney representing bar owner Chris Ferrell, who was charged in the shooting death of country musician Wayne Mills, is asking for a lower bond for his client.

Defense attorney David Raybin, who has represented Ferrell since soon after the shooting last month, said a bond reduction hearing would be held next Monday. Ferrell also plans to plead not guilty at that time.

Ferrell, 45, told police he shot Mills, 44, in self-defense on Nov. 23 following an argument over smoking in Ferrell's Second Avenue bar Pit and Barrel. Mills later died at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Police continued to investigate Ferrell's claim in the days following the shooting. The grand jury ultimately indicted him on a second-degree murder charge.

Ferrell surrendered himself to police Friday afternoon.

Ferrell's bond was set at \$300,000 last week. He is still in jail.