Rule 110. Place of Preliminary Hearings Including Pretrial Detention Hearings

Except for those preliminary hearings which may be held by the judge or magistrate judge sitting in the Assignment Section, all preliminary hearings, and pretrial detention hearings pursuant to Rule 46-I, shall be held commencing at 1:30 p.m. before a judge or judges or magistrate judges designated by the Chief Judge other than the judge or magistrate judge sitting in the Assignment Section. If, as of the date set for a preliminary hearing, the government determines to enter a nolle prosequi on the felony charge or charges and to proceed with a misdemeanor charge, or charges, the nolle prosequi shall be entered and the misdemeanor arraignment held before the judge or magistrate judge conducting preliminary hearings.