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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

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IN RE: AMENDMENT/RECISSION OF COVID-19 :
PROCEDURES IN STANDING ORDERS 2021-11 : **STANDING ORDER 2023-02**
AND 2022-02 :

WHEREAS, the national emergency declared in response to the outbreak of COVID-19 was terminated on April 10, 2023 and this Court’s authorization of the use of video and teleconferencing under the CARES Act is expected to end on May 10, 2023 (pursuant to the Ninth Extension of Standing Order 2021-03), the Court finds it appropriate to address outstanding procedures instituted in response to the pandemic; accordingly,

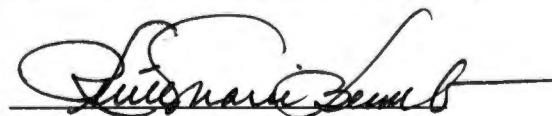
IT IS ORDERED, effective immediately, that paragraphs 9, 12 and 13 of Standing Order 2021-11 are amended as follows:

- 1. The requirement in criminal matters of providing courtesy copies of electronic filings to the Court is resumed; the prior suspension of that requirement is hereby rescinded.
- 2. The use of video and teleconferencing in Central Violations Bureau (CVB) proceedings shall be allowed, with the consent of the defendant, and at the discretion of the Judge, to the extent permitted by statute and court rules.
- 3. The expanded use of electronic signatures, as initially set out in Standing Order 2020-07, remains in full force and effect.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that paragraphs 2, 7 and 8 of Standing Order 2022-02 are amended as follows:

- 1. The requirement of wearing masks indoors in public areas of Court facilities, during periods of high COVID-19 community risk level, is hereby rescinded. While masking is no longer mandated, the wearing of appropriate masks will be permitted by any person, in any Court facility, at any time, except as otherwise directed by a judicial officer.
- 2. The requirement that criminal defendants present a negative COVID-19 test result as a condition of being transported from detention facilities to this District Court’s facilities is hereby rescinded.
- 3. While no longer necessary to facilitate the testing of detained defendants, the United States Attorney’s Office shall continue to notify the United States Marshals Service (USMS) of any in-person hearing for an in-custody defendant seven days prior to the hearing, due to a staffing shortage at the USMS.

Date: **5/2/23**


Hon. Renée Marie Bumb
Chief United States District Judge