

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA**

IN THE MATTER OF

**CHANGES TO COURT OPERATIONS
DUE TO CORONAVIRUS DISEASE
(COVID-19)**

**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER**

No. 20-AO-0005-P

Due to the continuing public health crisis resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Court finds that it is necessary to extend and modify Public Administrative Order 20-AO-0002-P, issued March 16, 2020 (the Prior Order), as set forth herein:

1. For the reasons set forth in the Prior Order, all civil and criminal jury trials scheduled to commence on or before May 11, 2020, before any judge in the Northern District of Iowa, are **continued** pending further order of the Court. The Court specifically finds that the ends of justice served by continuing all criminal jury trials outweigh the best interests of the public and any defendant's right to a speedy trial, and the periods of delay occasioned by the continuances implemented by this Administrative Order are therefore excluded under the Speedy Trial Act pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A). The failure of a defendant to object to this Administrative Order will be deemed a waiver of any right to later claim the time should not have been excluded under the Speedy Trial Act. Any defendant whose trial was continued by the Prior Order and has filed an objection to the Prior Order need not file another objection. Any defendant whose trial was continued by the Prior Order and has not filed an objection to the Prior Order will be deemed to have waived that objection.

2. For the reasons set forth in the Prior Order, all grand jury proceedings in the Northern District of Iowa between the date of this Order and May 11, 2020, are **continued** pending further order of the Court. The 30-day time period for filing an indictment or an information is hereby tolled as to each defendant during the time period

between March 16, 2020, and May 11, 2020, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(b) and 3161(h)(7)(A). The Court finds that the ends of justice served by taking such action outweigh the best interests of the public and any defendant's right to a speedy trial. Therefore, the time period between March 16, 2020, and May 11, 2020, is excluded under the Speedy Trial Act pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), and will not be considered in determining if an Indictment or Information is filed within the time limits set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b).

3. Except as modified in this Order, the terms of the Prior Order remain in effect. In addition, Administrative Orders 20-AO-0001-P, 20-AO-0003-P, and 20-AO-0004-P continue to remain in effect until further notice.

4. The Court will vacate, extend, or amend this Order no later than May 11, 2020.

DATED this 8th day of April, 2020.



LEONARD T. STRAND, CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA