

**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-0007-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, which was extended by Public Administrative Order 20-AO-0005-P, issued April 8, 2020 (collectively, the Prior Orders), as set forth herein:

1. For the reasons set forth in the Prior Orders, all civil and criminal jury trials scheduled to commence on or before May 31, 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 Orders, and has filed an objection to the Prior Orders, need not file another objection. Any defendant whose trial was continued by the Prior Orders and has not filed an objection to the Prior Orders will be deemed to have waived that objection.

2. The Court is making preparations for the resumption of jury trials beginning June 1, 2020. These preparations include modifications to the jury selection process and other aspects of the trial proceedings that will incorporate social distancing and other


public health precautions. Details will be provided to the parties and counsel in advance of any jury trial that will be conducted under these modified procedures. Should any party desire a continuance of a jury trial scheduled on or after June 1, 2020, due to ongoing public health concerns, the presiding judge will give due consideration to such a request.

3. All grand jury proceedings in the Northern District of Iowa that are scheduled to occur after May 11, 2020, shall proceed as scheduled.

4. 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, 20-AO-0004-P and 20-AO-0006-P continue to remain in effect until further notice.

5. The Court will vacate, extend, or amend this Order no later than May 31, 2020.

DATED this 28th day of April, 2020.

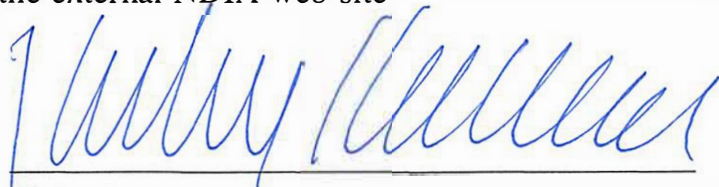


LEONARD T. STRAND, CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA

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