UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

ORDER AMENDING 20-5 REGARDING SCHEDULING OF HEARINGS IN CRIMINAL CASES

ADM-1 ORDER 20-14

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

In support of this order, the court adopts and incorporates the findings made in Standing Order ADM-1, Order 20-5: Court Operations Under the Exigent Circumstances Created by COVID-19. In addition to those findings, the court further finds that since the first announced case in New Hampshire on March 2, 2020, the state has reported 479 confirmed cases of COVID-19 (this number has tripled from 158 to 479 in the last week). So far, five deaths have been attributed to the disease in this state. Further, in New Hampshire approximately 1,700 people are being monitored for signs of COVID-19 infection, over 3,672 people have been tested, and community-based transmission has been confirmed. Nationally, the number of confirmed cases has grown to over 265,506 with 6,786 cases resulting in death.

Paragraph 3 of ADM-1, 20-5, provides as follows:

3. All district court criminal hearings scheduled before April 13, 2020, are continued. The presiding judge has the discretion to reschedule those hearings to occur by teleconference, videoconference, or in-court hearing at the Rudman Courthouse.

That paragraph is amended as follows, effective immediately:

3. For all district court criminal hearings scheduled before May 1, 2020, the presiding judge has the discretion to continue or reschedule those hearings to occur by teleconference, videoconference, or in-court hearing at the Rudman Courthouse.

SO ORDERED.

Date: April 3, 2020

Landya B. McCafferty Chief Judge