

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

IN RE:
GRAND JURY OPERATIONS

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MISC. NO. 00-308

STANDING ORDER 2021-03

On December 9, 2020, this Court entered Standing Order 2020-23 suspending all grand jury meetings set to occur from December 18, 2020 through January 18, 2021, in response to worsening COVID-19 virus data. In recent weeks, the health metrics in the State of Maryland have continued to deteriorate. Therefore, the Court now finds it appropriate to extend the terms of Standing Order 2020-23 through February 16, 2021. Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that all grand jury meetings now scheduled to occur from January 19, 2021 through February 16, 2021, are SUSPENDED; and it is further

ORDERED that due to the unavailability of a grand jury in this District, the 30-day time period for filing an indictment or an information is TOLLED as to each defendant during the time period January 19, 2021 through February 16, 2021, in alignment with 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b); and it is further

ORDERED that this Order shall be vacated or extended as circumstances warrant.

Date: January 15, 2021

/s/ JAMES K. BREDAR
James K. Bredar
Chief Judge