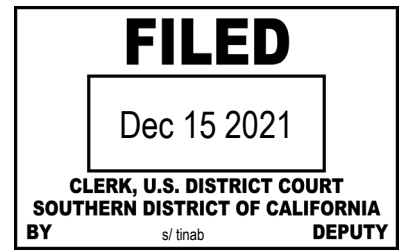


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA



In the matter of )  
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THE FILING OF DOCUMENTS )  
BY CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS )  
WHO ARE REPRESENTED BY )  
COUNSEL IN VIOLATION OF )  
CivLR 83.3(f), CrimLR 1.1(e)(21) )  
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General Order No. 734

Effective immediately, any document presented to the Court for filing by a criminal defendant who is represented by counsel will be filed in the applicable case. The docket entry will be public, but the filed document will only be accessible to counsel of record for the filing defendant. The assigned judge may, in the judge’s discretion, determine that the document should be made public or that further action should be taken.

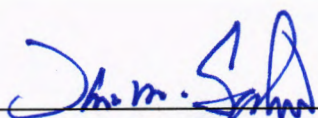
The Court is conscious of its obligation to maintain open records. The public has a “general right to inspect and copy...judicial records and documents.” *Nixon v. Warner Commc’ns, Inc.*, 435 U.S. 589, 597 (1978). This Circuit has recognized, however, that the public’s interest in access to nondispositive materials is somewhat less, and that access to such records may therefore be limited upon a showing of “good cause.” *See Pintos v. Pac. Creditors Ass’n*, 605 F.3d 665, 678 (9th Cir. 2010) (“In light of the weaker public interest in nondispositive materials, we apply the ‘good cause’ standard when parties wish to keep them under seal.”).

Because documents filed directly with the Court by represented defendants have no legal effect under the Court’s local rules (CivLR 83.3(f) and CrimLR 1.1(e)(21)), they are nondispositive. The Court finds good cause for limiting access to these documents. Such pro se filings often contain attorney-client or other sensitive information that should not be available in the public docket, and yet the Court should maintain a record of all documents filed with it. Limiting access to these filings to defense counsel and allowing the assigned judge to determine

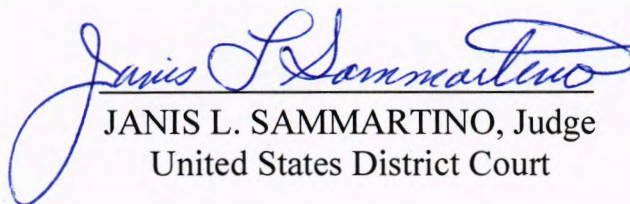
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IT IS SO ORDERED.

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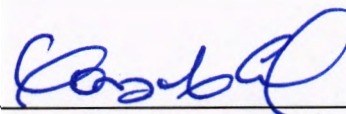
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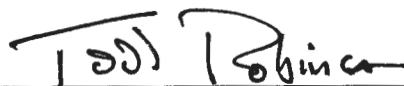
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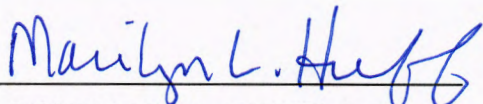
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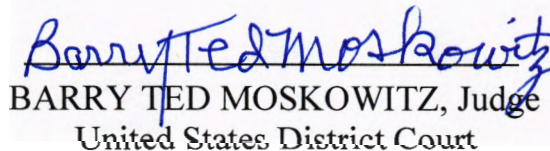
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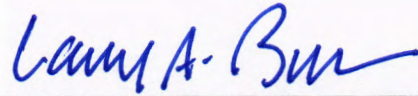
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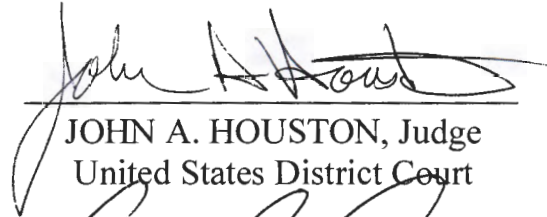
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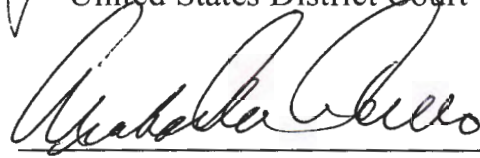
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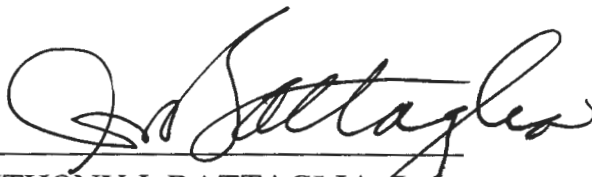
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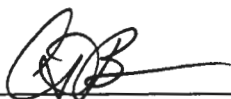
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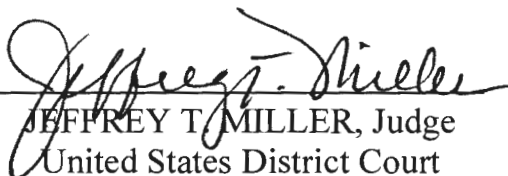
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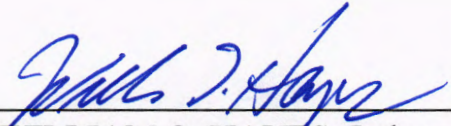


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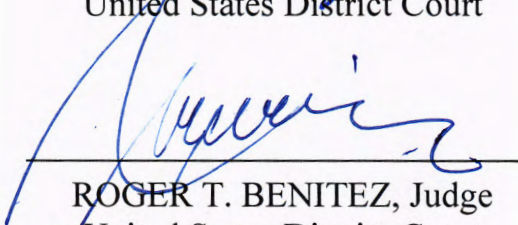


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