THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA

In the matter of

REAUTHORIZATION OF CARES ACT PROCEDURES IN CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL ORDER NO. 23-02

This Miscellaneous General Order reauthorizes certain provisions in § 15002 of the CARES Act for up to an additional 90 days.

The COVID-19 pandemic is still considered a national emergency pursuant to the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. § 1601, *et seq*. The finding made by the Judicial Conference of the United States that "emergency conditions due to the national emergency declared by the President with respect to COVID-19 will materially affect the functioning of the federal courts generally" remains.

Pursuant to § 15002(b)(3) of the CARES Act, H.R. 748, the Chief Judge of the District of Alaska has reviewed the authorization for the use of videoconference, or telephone if videoconference is not reasonably available, and has determined to extend the authorization provided in § 15002(b)(1) for an additional 90 days, so long as the finding made by the Judicial Conference remains in effect during that time. The CARES Act procedures established in Sections E and F of Miscellaneous General Order 21-25 are also extended for 90 days and shall remain in effect until further order.

DATED February 17, 2023, nunc pro tunc to the 26th day of January 2023.

<u>/s/ Sharon L. Gleason</u> Hon. Sharon L. Gleason Chief United States District Judge

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