UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

In Re: THIRD EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION TO USE VIDEO AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCING FOR CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO THE CARES ACT

GENERAL ORDER N0. 20-28

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WHEREAS on March 30, 2020, this Court entered General Order 20-5, authorizing the use of video and telephone conferencing, under certain circumstances and with the consent of the defendant, for various criminal case events pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES ACT"), P.L. 116-136, H.R. 748;

WHEREAS on June 29, 2020, and again on September 25, 2020, I reviewed and extended this authorization by way of General Orders 20-13 and 20-20, respectively;

WHEREAS the emergency authority granted under the CARES Act has not been terminated: and

WHEREAS the authorizations granted in these general orders continues to be warranted:

NOW THEREFORE, acting pursuant to section 15002(b) of the CARES Act and having conducted the necessary review, I hereby extend all findings and authorizations in these general orders for an additional 90 days unless earlier terminated. The authorization allowed by this general order will be again reviewed at or near its date of termination to determine if a further extension is warranted based on conditions existing at that time.

DATED: December 24, 2020

ENTERED VANESSA L ARMSTRONG, CLERK Dec 24, 2020 U.S. DISTRICT COURT Western District of Kentuck

Greg N. Stivers, Chief Judge United States District Court