

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**



In the matter of)
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EXTENDING COVID-19 PUBLIC)
EMERGENCY USE OF VIDEO)
AND TELEPHONIC)
CONFERENCE TECHNOLOGY)
IN CERTAIN CRIMINAL)
PROCEEDINGS)
_____)

Order of the
Chief Judge No. 43

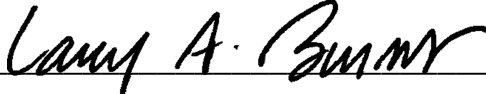
On March 30, 2020, the Chief Judge issued Order of the Chief Judge (OCJ) 20 authorizing the use of video and telephonic conferencing in certain criminal proceedings pursuant to Section 15002(b)(1)-(2) of the CARES Act, H.R. 748. Pursuant to Section 15002(b)(3) of the legislation, the authorization would remain in effect for 90 days. Many of the circumstances giving rise to the COVID-19 public emergency have not abated since the entry of OCJ 20 (March 20, 2020) or since the subsequent extension with OCJ 31 (June 26, 2020). Because the emergency conditions continue to exist, and to protect the public safety and prevent the spread of COVID-19, the Chief Judge hereby extends the authorizations set forth in that Order.

On July 9, 2020, the Chief Judge issued OCJ 31-A and on July 13, 2020, the Chief Judge issued OCJ 31-B. These orders contained limited modifications to OCJ 31. Notwithstanding the renewal of OCJ 31, the modifications set out in 31-A and 31-B remain in effect until further order of the Court.

This Order is effective immediately and will remain in place until December 26, 2020 absent further order of the Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 25, 2020



LARRY ALAN BURNS
Chief United States District Judge