

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

IN THE MATTER OF:
SUPERSEDING ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER 20-MC-00004-39

20-MC-00004-49

SUPERSEDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, the Court continues to evaluate its response to the spread of COVID-19 and in order to provide additional information to litigants and prospective jurors, this order supersedes Administrative Order 20-MC-00004-39. The justification for this Superseding Administrative Order is the same as for Administrative Order 20-MC-00004-17.

WHEREAS the Court recognizes that the steadily rising number of COVID-19 cases in the State of New Mexico and surrounding areas has the potential to adversely affect those who enter any of the federal courthouses within the District of New Mexico.

WHEREAS the recent State of New Mexico Public Health Emergency Order dated December 2, 2020, authorized and approved by the Governor of New Mexico implementing travel and dining restrictions, creates logistical challenges for potential jurors who live more than 100 miles from Albuquerque or Las Cruces from being able to report for jury duty.

WHEREAS the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico has suspended all civil and criminal jury trials in the State Courts in New Mexico through January 2021 and the United States Districts Courts for the Districts of Utah, Colorado, and West Texas have or will soon likewise suspend all civil and criminal jury trials at least through the end of January 2021.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that effective immediately all civil and criminal jury trials scheduled before any district or magistrate judge in any courthouse in the District of New Mexico are SUSPENDED through January 31, 2021.

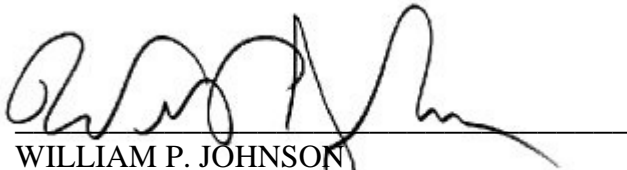
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that effective immediately, in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines and the New Mexico Department of Health Public Health Emergency Order of December 2, 2020, all persons entering courthouse facilities (as identified by Administrative Order 20-MC-00004-17) are required to wear a face mask.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that public and media access to court hearings will continue to be live-streamed as outlined in the COVID-19 Temporary Administrative Procedures Manual.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Superseding Administrative Order suspending all civil and criminal jury trials through January 31, 2021 shall not impact other case management deadlines or orders in civil or criminal cases pending in this District.

DONE this 21st day of December 2020.

FOR THE COURT:



WILLIAM P. JOHNSON
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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