

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF:
LIMITING THE SCHEDULING OF CRIMINAL TRIALS
AND HEARINGS AS A RESULT OF BUDGETARY
CONSTRAINTS AND FURLOUGHS

13-MC-00004-11

ORDER

Upon representation by the offices of the United States Attorney, the Federal Public Defender, the United States Marshal and the United States Probation Office, the COURT, by unanimous vote, at a Special meeting of the District Judges of the District of New Mexico on April 4, 2013 where a quorum of the judges were present, FINDS that each office is likely to suffer significant budget reductions resulting in mandated furlough days in varying number during the remainder of Fiscal Year 2013. Because the participation of the professionals in these offices is integral to the proper administration of justice and to proper adjudication of criminal matters before the Court, coordination in scheduling of criminal trials and hearings is necessary to ensure access to the Court by all parties and the public, appropriate representation to criminal defendants and necessary courthouse security.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

Effective the month of May 2013, and continuing through September 30, 2013, no hearings or trials in criminal cases in all courthouses in the District of New Mexico (other than mandatory first appearances before a magistrate judge) will be heard on every other Friday, beginning Friday, May 10, 2013. Parties with existing criminal matters affected by this order shall coordinate with the opposing party, and with the respective judicial chambers, to reschedule hearings/trials.

Upon request of a District Judge, the Chief Judge shall have authority to grant limited exceptions to this order when such an exception is warranted from an efficiency standpoint and when in the interest of justice.

This schedule is subject to change by the COURT based upon a change in circumstances.

FOR THE COURT:



M. Christina Armijo, Chief U.S. District Judge

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