

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY**

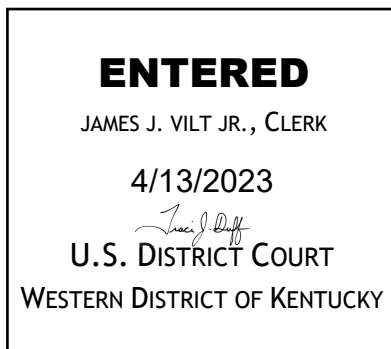
**In Re: TERMINATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO
USE VIDEO AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCING FOR
CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO THE
CARES ACT**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 23-05**

On March 9, 2023 this Court entered General Order 23-03, extending for 90 days the authorization to 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. In accordance with § 15002(b)(5)(A) of the CARES Act, said Order states that should the President’s National Emergency declaration terminate or be revoked prior to the expiration of 90 days from the date of the Order, then the Order may be vacated according to law.

On April 10, 2023, the President signed into law H.J. Res. 7 which provides that “the national emergency declared by the finding of the President on March 13, 2020, in Proclamation 9994 . . . is hereby terminated.” Accordingly, General Order 23-03 is hereby superseded and vacated such that the authorization to use video and teleconferencing technologies in certain criminal proceedings under § 15002(b) of the CARES Act shall expire on May 10, 2023.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 12th day of April, 2023.



Greg N. Stivers, Chief Judge
United States District Court

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