IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

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COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

STANDING ORDER 2021-09

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STANDING ORDER EXTENDING CARES ACT AUTHORITY

As authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, H.R. 748 (the CARES Act), the Court previously issued standing orders authorizing the use of video and/or audio conference to conduct identified criminal proceedings. *See* Middle District Standing Order 2020-03, 2020-07, 2020-08, 2020-10, 2020-12, 2020-13, 2021-02, 2021-04, 2021-05, 2021-07. The Court specifically finds that this authority remains necessary and in certain circumstances the appearance of persons live at the courthouse for court proceedings would place the public health and safety in serious jeopardy. Accordingly, the Court renews its authority under the CARES Act to conduct the proceedings identified in Standing Order 2020-03 by video and/or audio means for an additional 90 days from the date of today's order.

SO ORDERED, this 26th day of October, 2021.

s/ Marc. T. Treadwell
MARC T. TREADWELL
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE