

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

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COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

STANDING ORDER 2023-02

STANDING ORDER TERMINATING 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, 2021-09, 2022-01, 2022-05, 2022-06, 2022-07, 2023-01. On February 10, 2023, the President provided notice of his intent to terminate the COVID-19 national emergency effective May 11, 2023. On April 10, 2023, following House and Senate passage, 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 . . . is hereby terminated.” Accordingly, the Court declines to renew its authority for an additional ninety days under the CARES Act to conduct the proceedings identified in Standing Order 2020-03 by video and/or audio means. CARES Act authority shall cease in the Middle District of Georgia effective April 17, 2023.

SO ORDERED, this 14th day of April, 2023.

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