

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE  
EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES  
CREATED BY COVID-19

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) General Order No. 20-9  
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By

PATRICK KEANEY  
Clerk, U.S. District Court

Deputy Clerk

GENERAL ORDER

This Order amends General Order 20-6. Due to the evolving nature and spread of the coronavirus known as COVID-19 throughout the United States and, in particular, the State of Oklahoma, and given its potential to sicken and threaten the lives of a large number of citizens of the Eastern District of Oklahoma, the Court finds it necessary and appropriate to extend the continuation of all jury trials, grand jury sessions, and naturalization proceedings in this district as previously set forth in General Order 20-6.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, effective immediately, all jury trials, grand jury sessions, and naturalization ceremonies scheduled to commence now through June 1, 2020, in the Ed Edmondson Federal Courthouse, are CONTINUED pending further order of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the time period of any continuance entered through June 1, 2020, as a result of this Order shall be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), as the Court finds that the ends of justice served by taking such action outweigh the interests of the parties and the public in a speedy trial. The Court may extend the period of exclusion as circumstances may warrant.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that due to the unavailability of a grand jury from March 16, 2020, through June 1, 2020, the 30-day time period for filing an indictment is tolled as to each defendant through June 1, 2020. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b).

The Court will vacate or amend this General Order no later than June 1, 2020.

It is so ordered this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.



RONALD A. WHITE  
CHIEF JUDGE, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT