

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE: CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19  
PANDEMIC

THIS MATTER RELATES TO: Remote  
Access to Judicial Proceedings

No. 21-MC- 45

M-10-468 (CM)

STANDING ORDER

McMahon, C.J.:

In light of the continuing COVID-19 public health emergency, judicial proceedings in civil and criminal matters in the Southern District of New York are being conducted by teleconference or videoconference, including pursuant to the CARES Act and the Court's four standing orders relating to Video Teleconferencing and Telephone Conferencing for Criminal Proceedings, *see* No. 20-MC-176 (CM). Members of the public and the media have been and will be permitted remote access to such public proceedings. Information for public and media access, including dial-in information, may be found on the daily court calendar on the Court's website and/or on the order scheduling the proceeding.

In order to facilitate orderly public and media access to judicial proceedings conducted remotely, it is hereby

**ORDERED**, that members of the public or media using remote access shall comply with Local Civil Rule 1.8, which prohibits, *inter alia*, anyone other than Court officials engaged in the conduct of Court business from "mak[ing] an audio or video recording of any proceeding or any communication with the Court, an employee of the Court or any person acting at the direction of the Court, including a mediator;" and it is further

**ORDERED**, that members of the public or media accessing judicial proceedings are not permitted to photograph, record, copy, or rebroadcast the proceedings in whole or in part, in any manner; and it is further

**ORDERED** that members of the public or media shall not disrupt the proceedings in any manner, and shall follow all instructions of the presiding judge relating to remote access; and it is further

**ORDERED** that any member of the public or media who violates any prohibition governing remote access to judicial proceedings, or who otherwise disrupts any judicial proceeding, may be subject to sanctions, including contempt sanctions, removal of court-issued media credentials, restrictions on or denial of entry to future hearings, and/or any other sanction deemed necessary and appropriate by the presiding judge; and it is further

**ORDERED** that this Order shall remain in effect until further Order of the Court.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 19, 2021  
New York, New York

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Colleen McMahon", written over a horizontal line.

COLLEEN McMAHON  
Chief United States District Judge