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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING**

**Margaret Botkins
Clerk of Court**

ORDER VACATING COURTHOUSE
ENTRY GENERAL ORDERS
AND GENERAL ORDER CONCERNING
VIDEO AND TELECONFERENCES
IN CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS UNDER
THE CARES ACT

GENERAL ORDER NO 23-03

**GENERAL ORDER VACATING PRIOR COVID RELATED ORDERS
CONCERNING COURTHOUSE ENTRY AND USE OF VIDEO AND
TELECONFERENCE IN CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS**

This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte* for purposes of vacating its prior COURTHOUSE ENTRY ORDERS (see General Orders 21-04; 21-03; 20-01; 20-06) and GENERAL ORDER AUTHORIZING VIDEO OR TELEPHONE FOR CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS and extensions thereof (see General Orders 20-03, 20-08, 20-10, 20-15, 21-02, 21-04, 21-05, 21-07, 22-01, 22-03, 22-06 22-07 and 23-01) allowing video or telephone conferencing for specified criminal proceedings pursuant to the "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act," H.R. 748 (the "CARES Act").

On April 10, 2023, the President signed into law a Joint Resolution (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.” As a result, **after May 10, 2023, courts are no longer be permitted to use video or teleconferencing technologies, except as authorized by the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.**

Those criminal proceedings that, independent of the CARES Act, are authorized to be conducted via video or telephonic means under the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, may be conducted in the manner which the presiding Judge determines is authorized and appropriate.

Therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED that this Court’s COURTHOUSE ENTRY ORDERS (see General Orders 21-04; 21-03; 20-01; 20-06) are hereby VACATED. It is further

ORDERED that this Court's GENERAL ORDER AUTHORIZING VIDEO OR TELEPHONE FOR CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS and extensions thereof (see General Orders 20-03, 20-08, 20-10, 20-15, 21-02, 21- 04, 21-05, 21-07, 22-01, 22-03, 22-06 22-07 and 23-01) are hereby VACATED.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 8th day of May, 2023.



SCOTT W. SKAVDAHL
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE