

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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IN RE:
CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19 PANDEMIC

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2020-11**

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER REGARDING
PRELIMINARY HEARINGS IN CRIMINAL
MATTERS AND CONTINUANCE OF JURY
TRIALS AND EXCLUSION OF TIME UNDER
THE SPEEDY TRIAL ACT

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ROSLYNN R. MAUSKOPF, Chief Judge

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared a national emergency, and the Governor of New York has banned mass gatherings throughout the state and taken other actions in response to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, a novel coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other public health authorities have advised the taking of precautions to reduce the possibility of exposure to the virus and slow the spread of the disease;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Court issued Administrative Order 2020-06, incorporated herein by reference, which ordered, *inter alia*, that “[t]he time between March 16, 2020 and April 27, 2020 is hereby excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(a)-(c) and (h)(7)(A) in all criminal matters, 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 and in the time in which an indictment must be filed;” and

WHEREAS, no regular grand jury in this district has had a quorum since March 13, 2020; it is hereby

ORDERED that in all criminal matters in which a magistrate judge must conduct a preliminary hearing on or between March 18, 2020 and April 27, 2020 pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 5.1(a), the time within which the magistrate judge must hold the preliminary hearing is extended to 60 days after the initial appearance. The Court recognizes the public interest in the prompt disposition of criminal cases. However, for the reasons set forth herein, and pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 5.1(d), the Court finds good cause for this extension, and that extraordinary circumstances exist and justice requires the delay.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: Brooklyn, New York
March 18, 2020

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ROSLYNN R. MAUSKOPF
Chief Judge