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8 **UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**  
9 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
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11 **IN RE: AMENDED PROCEDURES**  
12 **FOR PUBLIC EMERGENCY**  
13 **RELATED TO COVID-19 OUTBREAK**

**THIRD AMENDED**  
**GENERAL ORDER 20-02**

14 Upon consideration of the United States District Court's continuation of the  
15 Continuity of Operations Plan issued on May 28, 2020, and the need to continue  
16 hearing all matters remotely based on the guidance and orders of federal, state and  
17 local officials,

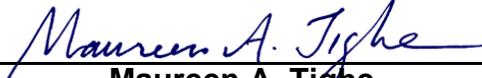
18 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows, unless and until otherwise ordered by  
19 this court or the presiding judge in any specific case:

- 20 1. Continuation of Earlier Order. This court's Amended General Order 20-02,  
21 issued on April 1, 2020, remains in effect and is continued to and including  
22 June 30, 2020.
- 23 2. Continuance of Telephonic or Video Appearances in all matters through and  
24 including June 30, 2020. There will be no physical access to the United  
25 States Bankruptcy Court for any court hearings before June 30, 2020, absent  
26 a specific order so authorizing access by the presiding judge establishing the  
27 necessity of an in-person hearing.  
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- 1 3. Social Security Number Statements. A self-represented litigant filing  
2 a voluntary bankruptcy case must include the signed “Statement About  
3 Your Social Security Numbers” (Official Form 121) with the initial filing  
4 when mailing the documents (F.R.B.P. 1007(f).). When filing a voluntary  
5 bankruptcy case through the court’s eSR program, the signed “Statement  
6 About Your Social Security Numbers” form must be mailed to the court  
7 within ten (10) days of filing, or the case will be dismissed. All self-represented  
8 filing instructions are explained in more detail on the court’s website under  
9 the “Don’t Have an Attorney” tab. ([https://www.cacb.uscourts.gov/filing-without-](https://www.cacb.uscourts.gov/filing-without-an-attorney)  
10 [an-attorney](https://www.cacb.uscourts.gov/filing-without-an-attorney))
- 11 4. Mediations. Mediations may resume and are in the discretion of the mediator  
12 as to how to proceed, but no mediations may be held in person at the  
13 courthouse before July 1, 2020.
- 14 5. Opening of Filing Windows. The Clerk of Court is authorized to open limited  
15 intake windows for in-person filings once she is assured appropriate measures  
16 are in place to maintain the safety of all involved.
- 17 6. Phased Reopening Plans. The Court’s Continuity of Operations Plan will  
18 remain in place and be modified gradually based on the rate of infection  
19 and deaths from the COVID-19 virus, and local, state and federal guidance.  
20 Details of these modifications will be posted on the court’s website and  
21 communicated to staff as they are implemented.

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23 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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25 DATED: May 28, 2020

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28 **Maureen A. Tighe**  
Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court