

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
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In re)
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER) Administrative Order FLMB-2023-2
VACATING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)
FLMB-2020-4)
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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER VACATING
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER FLMB-2020-4 AND REINSTATING
ATTORNEYS' OBLIGATION TO OBTAIN CLIENTS' ORIGINAL
SIGNATURES PRIOR TO FILING PETITIONS AND OTHER PAPERS BY CM/ECF**

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States. Thereafter, the Court entered Administrative Order FLMB-2020-4, effective March 23, 2020, and continuing until entry of an order vacating the Administrative Order.

Administrative Order FLMB-2020-4 temporarily modified the procedures set forth in Local Rule 1001-2 for attorneys to electronically file papers signed by their clients: it suspended, subject to certain conditions, any requirement that an Electronic Filing User secure the signer's original signature on a paper (such as bankruptcy petitions, supporting lists and schedules, affidavits, and unsworn declarations) prior to filing the paper via CM/ECF.

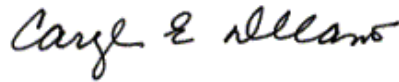
On April 10, 2023, the President signed into law a Joint Resolution (H.J. Res. 7) that provided for the termination of the national emergency. Thereafter, the Executive Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States found, effective May 24, 2023, that emergency conditions with respect to COVID-19 no longer materially affect the functioning of the federal courts generally or in a particular district.

In light of the termination of the national emergency and in the absence of emergency conditions affecting the functioning of the Court or local communities within the Middle District, the Court finds that present circumstances no longer warrant modification to the procedures set forth in Local Rule 1001-2.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that, effective October 1, 2023, Administrative Order FLMB-2020-4 is **VACATED**.

DATED: September 27, 2023



CARYL E. DELANO
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge