## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN RE:	)	
	)	ORDER VACATING
COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT	)	FOURTH AMENDED
CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19	)	STANDING ORDER

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of North Carolina issued a Standing Order Regarding Court Operations under the Exigent Circumstances Created by COVID-19 on March 16, 2020; an Amended Standing Regarding Court Operations under the Exigent Circumstances Created by COVID-19 on March 26, 2020; a Second Amended Standing Regarding Court Operations under the Exigent Circumstances Created by COVID-19 on May 15, 2020; a Third Amended Standing Regarding Court Operations under the Exigent Circumstances Created by COVID-19 on June 5, 2020; and a Fourth Amended Standing Regarding Court Operations under the Exigent Circumstances Created by COVID-19 on December 1, 2020.

In light of recent developments in the fight against COVID-19, including decreased daily COVID-19 diagnoses, hospitalizations, and deaths; greater vaccination rates and increased vaccine access; updated guidance from the CDC on May 13, 2021, which advised that fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear masks and observe social distancing when in non-health care settings; and Governor Cooper's issuance of Executive Order 215 on May 14, 2021, which lifted a number of COVID-19 restrictions for North Carolinians and remains in effect, at this time, through June 11, 2021, the Court finds that cause exists to vacate its Fourth Amended Standing Order Regarding Court Operations Under the Exigent Circumstanced Created by COVID-19.

## **NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Court's Fourth Amended Standing Order Regarding Court Operations under the Exigent Circumstances Created by COVID-19, dated December 1, 2020, is **VACATED**.

This the 24<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021.

ena M. James, Chief Judge

FOR THE COURT