

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
DISTRICT OF ALASKA

In the Matter of the Amendment of General  
Orders 2020-3 and 2020-4,

Misc. Proceeding No. 05-60001

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2020-6

**ORDER AMENDING GENERAL ORDERS 2020-3 AND 2020-4**

On March 20, 2020, this court issued General Order 2020-3 addressing temporary changes to court operations in response to the exigent circumstances created by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). On March 23, 2020, the court issued supplemental General Order 2020-4 clarifying the application of General Order 2020-3 to the court's Fairbanks and Juneau offices. Each of these General Orders provided that the court would either amend or vacate the order no later than April 30, 2020.

Additionally, on March 30, 2020, the United States District Court for the District of Alaska (District Court) issued Miscellaneous General Orders 20-11 and 20-12 concerning changes to court operations and deadlines during the COVID-19 pandemic. On April 7, 2020, the Court issued Miscellaneous General Order 20-12 concerning expedited detention hearing procedures. Each of these orders were set to expire on May 1, 2020, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

On April 20, 2020, the District Court issued Miscellaneous General Order 20-13 which, among other things, extended Miscellaneous General Orders 20-11, 20-12 and 20-13 through June 1, 2020. The District Court aptly described the circumstances necessitating the extension as follows:

The circumstances giving rise to the Court's prior orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic have not materially changed or abated since March 30, 2020. A state of public health emergency persists across the nation, the State of Alaska, and local communities. The number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Alaska continues to rise, and public health mandates restricting travel and requiring "social distancing" remain in effect.

In consideration of the factors outlined in General Orders 2020-3 and 2020-4, in light of Miscellaneous General Order 20-13, and to continue to protect the public safety and prevent the spread of COVID-19,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, absent further order of the court, the operations and procedures established in General Orders 2020-3 and 2020-4 shall remain in effect until June 1, 2020.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that paragraph 5 of General Order 2020-3 is revised as follows:

Paper documents delivered to the Anchorage courthouse must be deposited in the Clerk's Office drop box(es) located in the lobby of the Old Federal Building at 605 West 4th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501. Drop-box access will be available between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on business days *as permitted by the courthouse status. Parties intending to deliver paper documents to the Anchorage courthouse are advised to check the building's status (i.e., "open" or "closed") prior to traveling to the courthouse. The building's current status will be posted on the COVID-19 section of the court's website, available at [www.akb.uscourts.gov](http://www.akb.uscourts.gov).*

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that this Order supersedes any inconsistent information or direction in any standing order or notice related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The court will vacate or amend this Order no later than **June 1, 2020**.

DATED: April 27, 2020.

BY THE COURT

/s/ Gary Spraker

GARY SPRAKER

Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

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