

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
MIDLAND-ODESSA/PECOS DIVISION**

USA	)	
	)	Dkt. No.: [Dkt. No.:]
v.	)	
	)	
[Defendant's Name:]	)	

**STANDING ORDER OF REFERRAL OF FELONY GUILTY PLEAS AND  
DESIGNATION TO HEAR AND DETERMINE CRIMINAL PRETRIAL  
DISCOVERY AND SCHEDULING MATTERS TO THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
IN CASES ASSIGNED TO UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE ROBERT JUNELL**

Pursuant to Title 28 United States Code § 636(b)(3), a United States Magistrate Judge may be assigned such additional duties as are not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States. Such additional duties include the administration of a felony guilty plea allocation pursuant to FED.R.CRIM.P. 11 upon consent of the Defendant and subject to final approval and sentencing by the District Judge. *See United States v. Williams*, 23 F.3d 629 (2d Cir. 1994).

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that felony FED.R.CRIM.P. 11 guilty plea allocations in cases assigned to U. S. District Judge Robert Junell in the Midland-Odessa and Pecos Divisions of the Western District of Texas, shall be referred to the United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to Title 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(3) upon the consent of the Defendant and subject to the control, final approval, and imposition of sentence by the District Court.

**In the event that the Defendant consents to the guilty plea allocation before the U. S. Magistrate Judge, the Court strongly urges the parties to complete plea negotiations and the guilty plea allocation at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled jury selection and trial date.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that upon the administration of a guilty plea allocation pursuant to this Order, the United States Magistrate judge shall file appropriate proposed findings of fact and recommendations.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that "true pleas" on felony revocation proceedings, including both supervised release and probation revocation matters in cases assigned to United States District Judge Robert Junell in the Midland-Odessa and Pecos Divisions of the Western District of Texas shall be referred to the United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to Title 28 U.S.C. 636(b)(3) upon the request of defense counsel and subject to the control, final approval, and imposition of modification or revocation of sentence by the District Judge. In the event the Defendants enters a "true plea" on such a matter, the Magistrate Judge shall follow the routine procedure for guilty pleas by filing a report and recommendation with the District Judge.

Pursuant to Title 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A), a United States Magistrate Judge may be designated to hear and determine any pretrial matter pending, save and except for certain limitations set forth in that subsection. Such additional duties include the entry of pretrial discovery and scheduling orders which will expedite the manner in which the exchange of discovery materials and the scheduling of time constraints for pretrial matters can be accomplished.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the entry of pretrial discovery and scheduling orders are assigned to the United States Magistrate Judge for the Midland-Odessa and Pecos Divisions for all criminal matters pending before the undersigned.

**SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** this 12th day of March, 2003.



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ROBERT JUNELL  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE