

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
EL PASO DIVISION

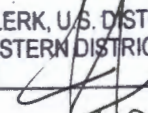
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IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFICATES
OF UNAVAILABILITY

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FOURTH AMENDED STANDING ORDER REGARDING
CERTIFICATES OF UNAVAILABILITY

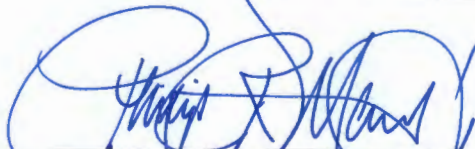
Attorneys with any pending case before the Court and all CJA panel attorneys shall submit a Certificate of Unavailability (“COU”) for any time they will be unavailable in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, El Paso Division, whether due to illness, vacation, trial, Continuing Legal Education, or any other reason. Attorneys may only submit COUs by emailing elpaso_attorneynotices@txwd.uscourts.gov or hand-delivering it to the District Clerk.¹ Should an attorney seek to file a COU for a period in **excess of 30 days**, the COU shall designate an attorney who has agreed to appear on their behalf during their absence. A COU will not serve as a motion to continue any existing setting.

Attorneys from the Federal Public Defender and United States Attorney’s Office are exempt from this Order and shall not file COUs. These attorneys are required to file a motion for continuance in any case where they prefer to appear personally.

This Order amends and supersedes the Court’s previous Standing Orders Regarding COUs dated July 5, 2017, November 28, 2017, and February 6, 2018.


IT IS SO ORDERED.

SIGNED ON THIS 8th DAY OF June, 2018.


PHILIP R. MARTINEZ
United States District Judge


KATHLEEN CARDONE
United States District Judge


FRANK MONTALVO
United States District Judge


DAVID C. GUADERRAMA
United States District Judge


DAVID BRIONES
Senior United States District Judge

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