

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**ORDER ON CIVIL JURY TRIALS  
AND MEDIATIONS**

**ADM-1  
ORDER 21-14**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

In support of this order, the court adopts and incorporates the findings made in Standing Order ADM-1, Order 20-25. In addition to those findings, the court further finds that since the first announced case in New Hampshire on March 2, 2020, the state has reported 86,510 confirmed cases of COVID-19. So far, 1,249 deaths have been attributed to the disease in this state. Further, in New Hampshire, approximately 3,313 people are being monitored for signs of COVID-19 infection, over 667,528 people have been tested, and community-based transmission has been confirmed. Nationally, the number of confirmed cases has grown to over 30,857,540 with 556,715 cases resulting in death.<sup>1</sup>

Given the court's anticipation that the COVID-19 pandemic will recede to safer levels by the fall of this year, the court issues following order:

1. All civil jury trials and bench trials scheduled to occur after September 1, 2021, shall proceed as scheduled.
2. Civil jury trials and bench trials (and accompanying final pretrial conferences) scheduled to occur prior to September 1, 2021, shall proceed as determined by the presiding judge. Parties who are not ready for trial as scheduled should file a motion to continue. If parties are ready for trial but have not discussed trial scheduling and logistics with the judge, they may file a notice with the court and request a status conference.
3. All in-person court sponsored/conducted mediations scheduled to occur after September 1, 2021 shall proceed as scheduled. Magistrate Judge Johnstone, however, is presently available to conduct mediations upon request by video conference. All requests for Magistrate Johnstone to mediate a case should be made to the presiding judge.

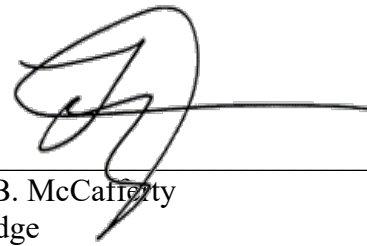
This order supersedes ADM-1, 20-30, effective immediately.

SO ORDERED.

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<sup>1</sup> The New Hampshire statistics are taken from the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 website (<https://www.nh.gov/covid19/>). The national statistics are taken from the John Hopkins University of Medicine Coronavirus Resource Center website (<https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/>).

Date: April 8, 2021



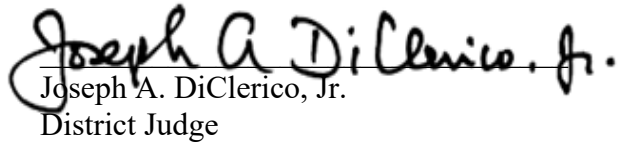
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Landya B. McCafferty  
Chief Judge



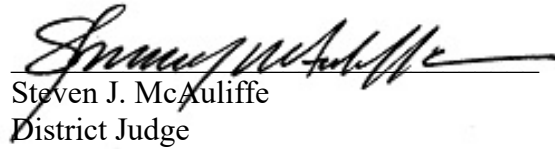
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Joseph N. Laplante  
District Judge



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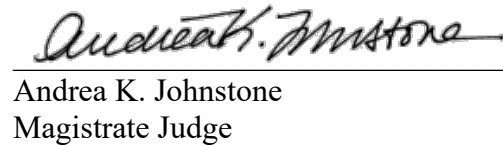
Joseph A. DiClerico, Jr.  
District Judge



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Steven J. McAuliffe  
District Judge

/s/ Paul J. Barbadoro  
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District Judge



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Andrea K. Johnstone  
Magistrate Judge