## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19 **GENERAL ORDER: 21-01** 

## **ORDER**

In accordance with Standing Order 2020-30 entered by the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania on November 30, 2020, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that, until further order of the Court, the Court will remain open for the conduct of official business; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that all Court appearances after January 15, 2021 shall be conducted telephonically, unless expressly directed otherwise by the presiding Judge; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that parties seeking to participate in a telephonic hearing must make arrangement to do so either by contacting CourtCall at 1-866-582-6878 or following the instructions on the <u>Court's website</u>; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that all evidentiary hearings and trials presently scheduled to occur on or after January 31, 2021 through April 2, 2021 shall be rescheduled by the Court; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that any party (including pro-se litigants) seeking to continue a hearing subject to this Order for any reason, including the inability to appear telephonically, shall seek concurrence from each of the other parties to the hearing (including pro-se litigants) before submitting such a request to the Court; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED** that this Order shall remain in effect until further order of this Court.

Dated: January 15, 2021

By the Court,

Henry W. Van Eck, Chief Bankruptcy Judge (LS)