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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PLAN OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FOR THE RANDOM SELECTION OF GRAND AND PETIT JURORS	}	GENERAL ORDER NO. 19-07 (Supersedes General Order No. 13-13)
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Pursuant to the Jury Selection and Service Act of 1968, as amended, 28 U.S.C. § 1861 *et seq.* (“Act”), the following amended Jury Selection Plan (“Plan”) is hereby adopted by the United States District Court for the Central District of California (“Court”), subject to approval by the Ninth Circuit Judicial Council and to such rules and regulations as may be adopted from time to time by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

1. Applicability of Plan

This Plan applies to the Central District of California (“District”), including all three of its divisions: (1) the Western Division, which includes the counties of Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura; (2) the Southern Division, which includes the county of Orange; and (3) the Eastern Division, which includes the counties of Riverside and San Bernardino. 28 U.S.C. § 84(c). These three statutory divisions shall constitute the divisions contemplated by the Act, as provided in 28 U.S.C. § 1869(e)(1).

1 **2. Declaration of Policy**

2 It is the policy of the Court that all litigants in this Court entitled to trial by jury
3 shall have the right to grand and petit juries selected at random from a fair cross
4 section of the community in the division wherein the Court convenes.

5 It is further the policy of the Court that all citizens shall have the opportunity to
6 be considered for service on grand and petit juries of the Court and shall have an
7 obligation to serve as jurors when summoned for that purpose. No citizen shall be
8 excluded from service as a grand or petit juror on the basis of race, color, religion,
9 gender, sexual orientation, national origin, or economic status.

10 **3. Management and Supervision of Jury Selection Process**

11 The Clerk of the Court, any authorized deputy clerk, or any other person
12 designated to assist the clerk (collectively “Clerk”), shall manage the jury selection
13 process under the supervision and control of the chief judge of the Court, a judge
14 acting pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 136(e), or such other judge of the district court as the
15 chief judge may designate (“Chief Judge”). The Clerk is authorized to use non-Court
16 personnel to assist in the performance of functions under this Plan. Non-Court
17 personnel shall be given detailed instructions regarding any work they are asked to
18 perform, and shall be required to certify that all work performed has been completed
19 pursuant to those instructions. The instructions provided, and the certifications
20 returned upon completion, will be considered “Juror Selection Records,” and will be
21 retained and made available to the public pursuant to Section 12 of this Plan.

22 **4. Sources of Prospective Jurors’ Names**

23 The names of prospective jurors shall be drawn from the names of registered
24 voters, licensed drivers, and holders of California Identification Cards (issued by the
25 California Department of Motor Vehicles) who reside within one of the seven counties
26 in the District. The Clerk shall obtain the names of all registered voters residing in the
27 District by requesting voter registration lists, as defined in 28 U.S.C. § 1869(c) (“Voter
28 Lists”), either from the Office of the California Secretary of State or from the Registrar

1 of Voters or equivalent office in each of the seven counties in the District. The Clerk
2 shall obtain the names of all licensed drivers and holders of California Identification
3 Cards residing within the District by requesting from the California Department of
4 Motor Vehicles (“DMV”) information regarding individuals who hold a California
5 driver’s license or identification card and who reside in one of the seven counties in the
6 District (“DMV Records”).

7 The Clerk shall obtain updated Voter Lists and DMV Records (collectively,
8 “Source Data”) for the District every year, in advance of the annual emptying and re-
9 filling of the Master Jury Wheels described in Section 5, below. The Clerk shall obtain
10 the Source Data by requesting, in writing, that each agency provide a list of the
11 required names, together with addresses and any other information necessary to
12 achieve the goals of the Act. The Clerk shall also require that each agency, when
13 providing the list, provide a declaration certifying that the requested information was
14 forwarded to the Court in accordance with the Clerk’s written request. The Source
15 Data, the Clerk’s written requests for the Source Data, and the declarations from each
16 agency providing Source Data will be considered “Juror Selection Records,” and will
17 be retained and made available to the public pursuant to Section 12 of this Plan.

18 **5. Creation and Maintenance of Master Jury Wheels**

19 Having obtained the Source Data for each county in the District, the Clerk shall
20 use that information to establish and maintain one “Master Jury Wheel,” in electronic
21 form, for each of the three divisions within the District. First, using a properly
22 programmed electronic data processing system, the Source Data for each county shall
23 be merged into a single list, and duplicate records of the same person and the records
24 of persons under the age of 18 years eliminated. The resulting list will be referred to
25 as the county’s “Merged Source List.”

26 Next, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1863(b)(3), the Clerk shall randomly
27 select names from the Merged Source List for each county in the District, using a
28 purely randomized process through a properly programmed electronic data processing

1 system designed to ensure that the mathematical odds of any single name being picked
2 from a Merged Source List are substantially equal. The selected names shall be placed
3 in the Master Jury Wheel for the division in which the county is located, in such
4 numbers as to ensure that each county is substantially proportionally represented in
5 that division's Master Jury Wheel.

6 For purposes of determining proportional representation in the Master Jury
7 Wheel, the number of registered voters in each county shall be compared to the total
8 number of registered voters in the division, and a percentage calculated; the number of
9 names drawn from a county's Merged Source List for inclusion in the division's
10 Master Jury Wheel shall be in an amount equal to the same percentage of that
11 division's Master Jury Wheel. For example, if, in a division with two counties, County
12 A has 20% of the registered voters for the division, and County B has 80% of the
13 registered voters, then 20% of the names in the division's Master Jury Wheel should be
14 drawn from County A's Merged Source List, and 80% of the names in the division's
15 Master Jury Wheel should be drawn from County B's Merged Source List.

16 The minimum number of names to be placed in each Master Jury Wheel shall be
17 at least one-half of 1% of the total number of persons on the Merged Source Lists for
18 the counties in that division. The Court finds that placing names selected from the
19 Merged Source Lists for the counties in a division using a purely randomized process
20 into the Master Jury Wheel for that division in such amounts, with each county in the
21 division substantially proportionally represented, will result in a Master Jury Wheel for
22 each division that includes a fair cross section of the persons residing in that division.

23 Each Master Jury Wheel shall be emptied and refilled annually prior to January
24 1. If necessary to assure an adequate supply of qualified jurors, the Chief Judge may
25 order that any Master Jury Wheel be supplemented from time to time with additional
26 names selected from the Merged Source Lists on a random basis, in substantially
27 proportional amounts from each county in the relevant division. Jurors selected from
28 previous Master Jury Wheels may serve at the same time as jurors selected from later

1 Master Jury Wheels.

2 The Merged Source Lists, the list of names placed in the Master Jury Wheels,
3 and any Orders of the Chief Judge directing that a Master Jury Wheel be supplemented
4 with additional names shall be considered “Juror Selection Records,” and will be
5 retained and made available to the public pursuant to Section 12 of this Plan.

6 **6. Random Selection of Names from the Master Jury Wheels: One-Step**
7 **Summoning and Qualification of Prospective Jurors**

8 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1878, the Court adopts a one-step process to summon
9 and qualify prospective petit and grand jurors. The Clerk shall use this one-step
10 approach in lieu of the two separate procedures (a qualification process, followed by a
11 separately issued summons) otherwise provided for by the Act.

12 Accordingly, throughout the term of the Master Jury Wheels, the Clerk shall
13 regularly select names at random from the Master Jury Wheel for each division as
14 required for assignment to grand and petit juries in that division, in such numbers as
15 are estimated to meet the Court’s projected needs. Names of prospective jurors shall
16 be selected from the Master Jury Wheels using a purely randomized process through a
17 properly programmed electronic data processing system designed to ensure that the
18 mathematical odds of any single name being picked from a Master Jury Wheel are
19 substantially equal. Once a name has been selected from a Master Jury Wheel, that
20 name shall not be eligible to be drawn again until after the Master Jury Wheel has been
21 emptied and re-filled. The Clerk shall post a copy of this General Order in all Jury
22 Assembly Rooms and on the Court’s website to explain the process by which names
23 are randomly and periodically drawn from the Master Jury Wheels.

24 Every person whose name is so drawn shall be mailed a summons for jury
25 service (“Summons”). Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1864(a), each person summoned for
26 jury service shall be instructed to complete and return a juror qualification form
27 (“Questionnaire”) within ten days. Questionnaires may be completed and submitted
28 online through the Court’s website, or completed and returned to the Clerk by mail, e-

1 mail, or fax. The Questionnaire shall be in a form prescribed by the Administrative
2 Office of the United States Courts and approved by the Judicial Conference of the
3 United States. Any person who mails Summonses to prospective jurors shall make the
4 affidavit of service required by 28 U.S.C. § 1866(b).

5 Each Questionnaire submitted by a prospective juror shall be reviewed upon
6 receipt to determine: (1) whether the Questionnaire has been completed; and (2)
7 whether, based on the information provided in or with the Questionnaire, the
8 prospective juror should be disqualified from jury service (see Section 9 of this Plan),
9 exempted from jury service (see Section 10 of this Plan), or excused from jury service
10 for some period of time (see Section 11 of this Plan). A prospective juror may ask to
11 be temporarily excused from jury service by requesting a postponement of jury service
12 to a later date; prospective jurors whose service is postponed will be re-summoned in
13 advance of the new reporting date.

14 A person shall be deemed qualified and available to serve as summoned unless
15 postponed, disqualified, exempted, or excused by the Court, or by the Clerk, acting
16 under supervision of the Court. For any juror postponed, disqualified, exempted, or
17 excused on the basis of information provided in or with the Questionnaire, the Clerk
18 shall note this determination in the records of the Court, and make the results regarding
19 each potential juror available to that juror in advance of the juror's Summons date.

20 The Clerk shall record the names of prospective jurors who fail to return the
21 Questionnaire. If any Questionnaires are returned as undeliverable, the Clerk shall
22 note that fact. Prospective jurors who fail to return the Questionnaire or who submit
23 Questionnaires requiring further investigation may be summoned for a personal
24 interview before the Clerk should other means of communication fail to elicit a
25 satisfactory response. Except for extraordinary cause shown, such appearance shall be
26 without attendance fees or travel allowance.

27 Each Summons shall include the date on which the prospective juror's two-week
28 on-call period begins. All prospective jurors must call in as directed in the Summons,

1 and report if directed to do so. Prospective jurors not directed to report on the first
2 call-in date must continue to call in as directed throughout the on-call period.

3 Each week, the Clerk shall determine the number of prospective jurors estimated
4 to be necessary to meet the Court's projected needs for petit jurors, and direct that
5 number of prospective jurors to report for service. Prospective jurors will be directed
6 to report in the order in which their names were randomly drawn from the Master Jury
7 Wheel prior to the mailing of the Summons.

8 The Clerk shall maintain a record of the following: the names of persons sent a
9 Summons; whether the Summons was returned as undeliverable; whether each
10 prospective juror submitted or returned a Questionnaire; whether each Questionnaire
11 submitted was completed; whether any Questionnaires were returned to prospective
12 jurors for additional information; whether each prospective juror was postponed,
13 disqualified, exempted, or excused; whether each prospective juror was directed to
14 report during the on-call period; and whether each prospective juror reported as
15 directed. This record, and the following documents, will be considered Juror Selection
16 Records: the affidavits of service completed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1866(b); any
17 Summons returned as undeliverable, with its original envelope; and all submitted or
18 returned Questionnaires. All Juror Selection Records will be retained and made
19 available to the public pursuant to Section 12 of this Plan.

20 **7. Selection of Petit Jurors**

21 Prospective jurors summoned for petit jury service and not postponed,
22 disqualified, exempted, or excused in advance of the call-in date shall report as
23 directed to the appropriate divisional Jury Assembly Room. The Clerk shall record the
24 names of any prospective jurors who fail to appear as directed.

25 Prospective jurors who report as directed may raise at that time additional
26 grounds for postponement, disqualification, exemption, or excuse. All prospective
27 jurors who report as directed will be deemed qualified and available to serve as
28 summoned unless determined not to be for one of these reasons (as defined in Sections

1 9-11 of this Plan), by the Clerk, acting under supervision of the Court, or by a district
2 or magistrate judge of the Court. Prospective jurors who report as directed, and who
3 are not postponed, disqualified, exempted, or excused shall be considered “Present and
4 Available” for jury service. The Clerk shall maintain records, which will be
5 considered Juror Selection Records, noting whether each person directed to appear on
6 a particular day is Present and Available to serve as directed, and if not, why: non-
7 deliverable Summons, failure to respond to the Summons, postponement,
8 disqualification, exemption, or excuse. Any orders to show cause issued to persons
9 who fail to respond to a Summons will also be considered Juror Selection Records.
10 All Juror Selection Records will be retained and made available to the public pursuant
11 to Section 12 of this Plan.

12 When those persons who are Present and Available to begin petit jury service on
13 a particular day are gathered in the Jury Assembly Room, the Clerk shall administer to
14 them the appropriate oath. The Clerk shall then draw from such persons the number
15 required for immediate assignment to petit jury panels, using a purely randomized
16 process through a properly programmed electronic data processing system designed to
17 ensure that the mathematical odds of any single name being picked from among all
18 prospective jurors then present are substantially equal. Jurors selected for petit jury
19 panels shall then be sent to the appropriate courtroom.

20 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1863(b)(7), the list of juror names for a particular petit
21 jury panel may be released to the parties and the public at any time with the approval
22 of the judge presiding at trial, or by the Chief Judge if the judge presiding at trial is
23 unavailable. The names of such jurors and associated juror information may be kept
24 confidential in any case where the interests of justice so require. Unless the Court
25 orders that the list be kept confidential, the petit jury panel list shall also be considered
26 a Juror Selection Record, to be maintained and disclosed pursuant to Section 12 of this
27 Plan.

1 The judge (whether a district, magistrate, or bankruptcy judge) presiding over
2 the trial for which the petit jury panel is called (“Presiding Judge”) may excuse jurors
3 upon a showing of undue hardship or extreme inconvenience, for such period as the
4 Presiding Judge deems necessary. The Presiding Judge may also find that a juror is
5 exempt from, or not qualified for, jury service. Jurors postponed by the Presiding
6 Judge to a future date shall be re-summoned in advance of that date. Jurors excused
7 but not postponed to a future date, and jurors found to be exempt or disqualified, shall
8 be released from jury service.

9 The Presiding Judge may exclude a juror:

- 10 (a) on the ground that such person may be unable to render impartial jury
11 service or that his service as a juror would be likely to disrupt the
12 proceedings;
- 13 (b) upon peremptory challenge as provided by law;
- 14 (c) pursuant to the procedure specified by law upon a challenge by any party
15 for good cause shown; or
- 16 (d) upon determination by the court that his service as a juror would be likely
17 to threaten the secrecy of the proceedings, or otherwise adversely affect
18 the integrity of jury deliberations.

19 Any person excluded from a particular jury under (a), (b), or (c) shall be eligible
20 to sit on another jury if the basis for the initial exclusion would not be relevant to the
21 juror’s ability to serve on a different jury. The Presiding Judge may therefore direct
22 that jurors excluded from a jury under (a), (b), or (c) return to the Jury Assembly
23 Room for possible random selection to another petit jury panel. No person shall be
24 excluded under (d) unless the Presiding Judge, in open court, determines that such is
25 warranted and that exclusion of the person will not be inconsistent with 28 U.S.C.
26 §§1861-1862. The number of persons excluded under (d) shall not exceed 1% of the
27 number of persons who return executed Questionnaires during the year between two
28 consecutive fillings of the Master Jury Wheel. The names of persons excluded under

1 (d), together with detailed explanations for the exclusions, shall be forwarded
2 immediately to the Ninth Circuit Judicial Council. Jurors excluded under this
3 paragraph and not directed by the presiding judge to return to the Jury Assembly Room
4 for possible random selection to another petit jury panel shall be released from jury
5 service.

6 The Clerk shall maintain a record of whether each juror selected for a petit jury
7 panel was excused, disqualified, exempted, excluded, or selected to serve as a juror or
8 alternate juror. This record, as well as any findings made in excluding jurors under
9 subsection (d), above, will be considered Juror Selection Records.

10 At the end of each day, all prospective jurors who were present and available to
11 serve that day who have not been assigned to a petit jury panel shall be dismissed, and
12 shall be deemed to have completed jury service. Prospective jurors summoned for jury
13 service and not postponed, disqualified, exempted, or excused, and who have not been
14 assigned to a petit jury panel by the end of the on-call period or initial appearance, will
15 be deemed to have completed jury service. The Clerk will maintain records, which
16 will be considered Juror Selection Records, of all prospective jurors who are deemed
17 to have completed service pursuant to this paragraph. All Juror Selection Records will
18 be retained and made available to the public pursuant to Section 12 of this Plan.

19 **8. Selection of Grand Jurors**

20 Prospective jurors summoned for grand jury service and who are not, in advance
21 of the call-in date, postponed, disqualified, exempted, excused, or directed to report
22 instead for potential service as a petit juror shall report as directed to the location
23 where grand jury impanelment is to be held. The Clerk shall record the names of any
24 prospective jurors who fail to report as directed.

25 Prospective jurors who report as directed may raise at that time additional
26 grounds for postponement, disqualification, exemption, or excuse. All prospective
27 jurors who report as directed will be deemed qualified and available to serve as
28 summoned unless determined to be otherwise for one of these reasons (as defined in

1 Sections 9-11 of this Plan), by the Clerk, acting under supervision of the Court, or by a
2 district or magistrate judge of the Court.

3 Prospective jurors who report as directed, and who are not then postponed,
4 disqualified, exempted, or excused shall be considered “Present and Available” for
5 jury service. For each person directed to appear on a particular day, the Clerk shall
6 record whether the person is Present and Available to serve as directed, and if not,
7 shall record the reason why: non-deliverable Summons, failure to respond to the
8 Summons, postponement, disqualification, exemption, or excuse.

9 When those persons who are Present and Available to begin grand jury service
10 on a particular day are gathered, the Clerk shall then draw from such persons the
11 number required for immediate assignment to a grand jury, using a purely randomized
12 process through a properly programmed electronic data processing system designed to
13 ensure that the mathematical odds of any single name being picked from among all
14 prospective jurors then present are substantially equal. The Clerk shall administer the
15 appropriate oath to those chosen for grand jury service, and the Chief Judge shall give
16 them necessary instructions.

17 The names of grand jurors chosen and sworn shall not be disclosed except on
18 order of the Court. At the end of each day, all prospective jurors who were Present and
19 Available to serve that day who have not been assigned to a grand jury panel shall be
20 dismissed, and shall be deemed to have completed jury service.

21 **9. Qualifications for Jury Service**

22 In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1865(b), any person whose
23 name is drawn from a Master Source List shall be deemed qualified to serve on grand
24 or petit juries in this Court unless it is determined that the person:

- 25 a. is not a citizen of the United States who has reached the age of 18 years
26 and has resided for a period of one year within the District;
- 27 b. is unable to read, write, and understand the English language with a
28 degree of proficiency sufficient to fill out satisfactorily the juror

1 qualification form;

2 c. is unable to speak the English language;

3 d. is incapable, by reason of mental or physical infirmity, to render
4 satisfactory jury service; or

5 e. has a charge pending against him or her for the commission of, or has
6 been convicted in a state or federal court of record of, a crime punishable
7 by imprisonment for more than one year and his or her civil rights have
8 not been restored.

9 Persons summoned for jury duty who are determined to be disqualified from jury
10 service shall be released from jury service.

11 **10. Exemptions from Jury Service**

12 The following persons, when employed on a full-time basis, are barred from jury
13 service on the ground that they are exempt:

14 a. members in active service in the Armed Forces of the United States
15 (including only the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast
16 Guard);

17 b. members of the professional fire or police departments of any State, the
18 District of Columbia, any territory or possession of the United States, or
19 any subdivision of a State, the District of Columbia, or such territory or
20 possession; and

21 c. public officers (i.e., persons either elected to public office or directly
22 appointed by a person elected to public office) in the executive,
23 legislative, or judicial branches of the Government of the United States, or
24 of any State, the District of Columbia, any territory or possession of the
25 United States, or any subdivision of a State, the District of Columbia, or
26 such territory or possession, who are actively engaged in the performance
27 of official duties.
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1 Persons summoned for jury duty who are determined to be exempt from jury service
2 shall be released from jury service.

3 **11. Individual Requests for Postponement or Excuse**

4 **(a) Postponement**

5 Persons summoned for jury duty may request that service be postponed to a
6 future date. If a request for postponement is granted, a juror will be re-summoned in
7 advance of the requested date.

8 **(b) Groups Whose Members May Request Excuse**

9 Persons summoned for jury duty may request that service be excused on the
10 following grounds:

11 **(i) Volunteer Safety Personnel.**

12 Upon individual request, individuals serving a public agency in an official
13 capacity, without compensation, as firefighters or members of a rescue squad or
14 ambulance crew, shall be excused from jury service.

15 **(ii) Prior Jury Service.**

16 The Court finds that jury service by persons who have recently been selected
17 and seated as a grand or petit juror or an alternate juror in either a United States
18 District Court or a state trial court would entail undue hardship or extreme
19 inconvenience to them and that excusing such persons would not be inconsistent with
20 the Act. For purposes of this section, “recent jury service” includes the following:
21 (1) service on a grand jury within the prior two years; (2) service on a petit jury within
22 the prior year; or (3) service on one or more petit juries within the prior two years for
23 an amount of time that, when combined with the prospective service, will exceed 30
24 days. Accordingly, persons who provide proof of recent jury service shall be excused
25 from jury service upon individual request.

26 **(iii) Care Givers.**

27 The Court finds that jury service by a person who has the obligation to care for
28 children, the elderly, or other dependents, when the obligation of such care prevents

1 the person from engaging in full-time employment outside the home, would entail
2 undue hardship or extreme inconvenience to that person, and that excusing such a
3 person would not be inconsistent with the Act. Accordingly, such persons shall be
4 excused from jury service upon individual request.

5 (iv) Permanent Excuse.

6 The Court finds that any person who provides documentation from a state or
7 federal court showing that he or she has received a permanent excuse from serving as a
8 juror should be excused from jury service in this Court.

9 (c) **Individual Showing of Undue Hardship or Extreme Inconvenience**

10 A prospective juror may make an individual request to be excused from jury
11 service on the grounds that the following would create undue harm or extreme
12 inconvenience:

- 13 (i) great distance, either in miles or travel time, from the place of
14 holding court;
- 15 (ii) grave illness of the prospective juror or a family member for whom
16 the prospective juror must care that prevents the juror from serving
17 now or in the foreseeable future;
- 18 (iii) any other emergency which outweighs in immediacy and urgency
19 the obligation to serve as a juror when summoned;
- 20 (iv) business, employment, or financial hardship to the juror;
- 21 (v) any other factor that the court determines to constitute an undue
22 hardship or to create an extreme inconvenience to the juror;
- 23 (vi) in situations where it is anticipated that a trial or grand jury
24 proceeding may require more than thirty days of service, severe
25 economic hardship to an employer which would result from the
26 absence of a key employee during the period of such service.

27 Persons summoned for jury duty who are excused from jury service but not
28 postponed to a future date certain shall be released from jury service.

1 **12. Juror Statistics and Records**

2 A Report on Operation of the Jury Selection Plan (“Form AO-12”) shall be
3 completed each time a Master Jury Wheel is refilled and any time there is a change in
4 this Plan. All completed AO-12s will be considered “Juror Selection Records.”

5 All records identified in this Plan as “Juror Selection Records” and that are
6 created during the life of a Master Jury Wheel shall be retained by the Clerk until four
7 years after the later of the following two events (the “Release Date”): (1) the date that
8 that Master Jury Wheel is emptied and refilled; or (2) the date the last of the jurors
9 selected to serve on a jury during the life of that Wheel completes his or her service.
10 Prior to the Release Date, Juror Selection Records shall not be disclosed, except as
11 necessary in the preparation or presentation of a motion under 28 U.S.C. § 1867(a),
12 (b), or (c); a party preparing such a motion, or any party in a case in which such a
13 motion has been filed, may inspect, reproduce, and copy Juror Selection Records
14 regarding the Master Jury Wheel from which either the grand or petit jury in the case
15 was selected, at all reasonable times, and at the party’s expense, during the preparation
16 or pendency of such a motion. During the four years after the Release Date, all Juror
17 Selection Records shall be available for public inspection for the purpose of
18 determining the validity of the selection of any jury; these records will not be available
19 for reproduction or copying without an order of the Court. Except as otherwise
20 provided in this Plan, the contents of records or papers not identified in this Plan as
21 Juror Selection Records shall be disclosed only upon an order of the Court. Parties
22 seeking the disclosure of anything not identified as Juror Selection Records must apply
23 to the Court for an order of disclosure; if such an application is made, it shall be
24 referred to the Chief Judge.

25 **13. Sanctions for Late Settlement in Civil Cases**

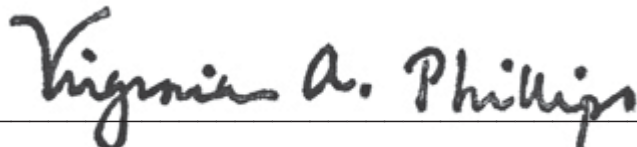
26 In any civil case in which a settlement is reached and the Court is notified of
27 settlement later than the close of business on the last business day before jurors are
28 scheduled to appear for jury selection, the Court may assess reasonable charges

1 reflecting the costs to the government of compensating said jurors for their
2 unnecessary appearance. Said charges may be assessed against one or more of the
3 parties, or against one or more counsel, as the Court deems proper, and the amount
4 collected shall be deposited by the Clerk into the Treasury of the United States.

5 **14. Effective Date and Review of Plan**

6 This Plan shall become effective upon filing by the Clerk of this Court after
7 approval by the Judicial Council of the Ninth Circuit. Copies of the approved Plan
8 will be sent to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts and the United
9 States Attorney General. This Plan will be reviewed annually by the Chief Deputy of
10 Operations to ensure that it complies with all legislation and Judicial Conference rules
11 and regulations, encompasses the most effective procedures, and reflects the policy
12 preferences of the court.

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14 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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17 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

18 *Date of Approval by the Court:* February 28, 2019

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20 *Date of Approval by the Judicial Council:* July 8, 2019

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22 *Date of Filing by the Clerk:* July 15, 2019