

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO**

**TERMINATION OF CARES ACT ORDER
REGARDING CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS**

**DISTRICT COURT GENERAL
ORDER 2023-4**

On April 6, 2020, the Court entered General Order 2020-4 authorizing the use of video and telephone conferencing for various criminal hearings during the COVID-19 pandemic. On July 2, 2020, September 29, 2020, December 24, 2020, March 23, 2021, June 16, 2021, September 10, 2021, December 7, 2021, March 4, 2022, June 1, 2022, August 29, 2022, November 21, 2022, and February 17, 2023, the Court issued General Orders 2020-12, 2020-17, 2020-22, 2021-4, 2021-7, 2021-11, 2021-12, 2022-2, 2022-6, 2022-8, 2022-9, and 2023-2, respectively, extending this authorization for an additional 90 days.

On April 10, 2023, the President signed into law a Joint Resolution (H.J. Res. 7), which provides that “the national emergency declared by the finding of the President on March 13, 2020, in Proclamation 9994 . . . is hereby terminated.” The authorization under § 15002 of the CARES Act ends at the conclusion of the “covered emergency period,” which is specified in the Act as “the date that is 30 days after the date on which the national emergency declaration terminate.” As a result, the authority to use video and teleconferencing technologies in certain criminal proceedings under § 15002(b) of the CARES Act will expire on Wednesday, May 10, 2023. Accordingly, General Orders 2020-4 and 2023-2 are vacated effective May 10, 2023.

Dated at Denver, Colorado this 8th day of May, 2023.

BY THE COURT

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Philip A. Brimmer', is written over a horizontal line.

PHILIP A. BRIMMER
Chief United States District Judge