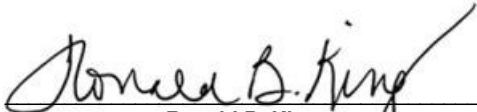


SIGNED this 23rd day of March, 2020.





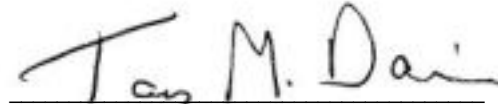
Ronald B. King
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge



Craig A. Gargotta
United States Bankruptcy Judge



H. Christopher Mott
United States Bankruptcy Judge



Tony M. Davis
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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
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**INTERIM STANDING ORDER REGARDING
AUTHORIZING ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES**

In accordance with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) supporting social distancing as a method to curb the spread of COVID-19, the Court is concerned with limiting exposure and person to person contact.

Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED that effective **March 23, 2020 until further notice**, signatures of debtors, attorneys, affiants and declarants may be either received and maintained in “wet signature form” as per current practice or electronically signed utilizing commercially available digital signature technology (such as DocuSign or Adobe Digital Signature) which maintains an audit trail allowing the attorney to obtain the identification of the signer’s computer device from the commercial provider. All software must comply with the requirements of the United States ESIGN Act.

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