IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

RE: CRIMINAL CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE IRENE C. BERGER FROM DIVISIONS OTHER THAN BECKLEY



In order to more efficiently manage criminal cases that originate in Divisions of the Southern District of West Virginia other than Beckley and are assigned to the Honorable Irene C. Berger, United States District Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia in Beckley, West Virginia, the Court **DIRECTS** that such defendants make their initial appearance before the Magistrate Judge closest to the location of the arrest. Thereafter, the Court **DIRECTS** that the Magistrate Judge referral be assigned to the Honorable Omar J. Aboulhosn, United States Magistrate Judge, for all further pretrial proceedings, including the arraignment, detention hearing, and other pretrial matters. Although some proceedings may be held at courthouses in other divisions, the Court will make every effort, within the confines of the Court's schedule, to hold pleas, sentencings, and trials in the division in which a defendant is charged. Therefore, the Court **DIRECTS** the Supervising CJA Panel Attorney to appoint counsel from the division in which the defendant is charged in those cases in which a defendant is represented by a CJA Panel attorney.

The Court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to send a copy of this Order to Clerk of Court Rory Perry, to the Supervising CJA Panel Attorney, to the United States Attorney, to the Federal Public Defender, to the Chief Probation Officer, to the United States Marshal, and to each Magistrate Judge in this District.

ENTER: December 5, 2018

IRENE C. BERGER

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA