## FOR THE DISTRICT OF IDAHO

In Re: CONTINUED COURT OPERATIONS IN MARCH 2021

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 391** 

On May 11, 2020, the Court issued General Order No. 367 in response to Idaho Governor Brad Little's staged approach for reopening Idaho during the COVID-19 pandemic. General Order No. 367 outlined Court operations during that reopening process. The State of Idaho and the Court advanced through those reopening stages. However, on November 14, 2020, Governor Little and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare issued a Stay Healthy Order returning the State of Idaho to Stage II of the reopening plan, albeit a somewhat modified Stage II. In response to the Stay Healthy Order, the Court issued General Order Nos. 376, 384, and 388 suspending jury trials and limiting court hearings through February 28, 2021. Idaho has now returned to Stage III, and the Court issues the following Order. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that jury trials shall resume in the District of Idaho effective March 1, 2021 with protocols in place to comply with Idaho's Stage III guidelines.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all in-person hearings will be limited to 50 persons or less in the courtroom. Hearings may still be conducted virtually. The

determination of which hearings will be conducted in-person and which hearings will be conducted virtually will be left to the presiding judge.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court will proceed with Grand Jury proceedings with protocols in place to comply with Idaho's Stage III guidelines.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all provisions of General Order No. 388 remain in effect except as otherwise noted herein.

DATED this 17th day of March, 2021.

David C. Nye Chief Judge

U.S. District Court

Joseph M. Meier

Chief Judge

U.S. Bankruptcy Court