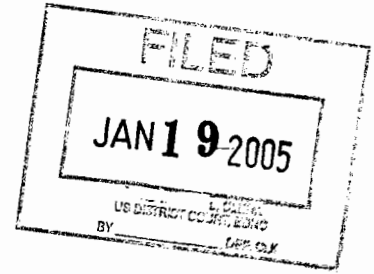


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA



Re: "Justice for All Act of 2004"
Victims' Rights

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STANDING ORDER
Concerning All Criminal Cases
In this District

Pursuant to "The Justice for All Act of 2004," 18 U.S.C. § 3771, the following procedure will be observed in all criminal matters in this district after the date of this order:

The attorney for the Government assigned to handle a criminal court proceeding shall state for the record at the beginning of such proceeding whether the case involves a "crime victim," as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 3771(e), and whether any crime victim is present or wishes to be heard.

If the case involves crime victim(s), the attorney for the Government shall state for the record (at the bench if necessary) whether and how the Department of Justice has exerted its best efforts pursuant to § 3771(c) to ensure that the crime victims are notified of, and afforded, their rights listed in § 3771(a).

In any case in which exclusion of the victim(s) is requested, the attorney for the Government shall so notify the court in advance of all proceedings in sufficient time for the court to make the determination required by § 3771(a)(3) and (b).

In any case where the number of crime victims makes it impracticable to accord all of the crime victims the rights described in § 3771(a), the attorney for the Government shall so notify the court in advance of all proceedings in sufficient time for the court to fashion a reasonable procedure to give effect to crime victims' rights, pursuant to § 3771(d)(2).

Entered with the concurrence of Judges Boyle, Howard, Britt, and Fox, this the 18th day of January, 2005.


LOUISE W. FLANAGAN
Chief United States District Judge