


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
20-SO-10

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IN RE: )  
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PROCEDURES FOR ) STANDING ORDER  
PRESENTENCE REPORT )  
DISCOVERY IN FELONY )  
CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS )

After careful consideration, the court finds that the procedures set forth in this Standing Order will promote efficiency and judicial economy in proceedings in felony criminal cases in this district. The court accordingly adopts the following procedures:

1. **Scope.** The procedures set forth in this Standing Order shall apply to all felony criminal cases in this district whereupon a defendant has pleaded guilty, subject to variation in individual cases pursuant to paragraph 4 below.

2. **Disclosure of Discovery to the United States Probation Office and Defense Attorney.** Within 6 days after a defendant enters a plea of guilty, the United States Attorney shall:

a. provide discovery materials to the United States Probation Office, and counsel for that defendant;<sup>1</sup> and

b. file, under seal, a comprehensive summary of the offense conduct, including relevant conduct.

3. **United States Probation Office Independent Investigation and**

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<sup>1</sup> This procedure does not relieve the United States Attorney of any obligation to disclose discovery or other

**Assessment.** The United States Probation Officer shall:

a. consider the comprehensive summary of the offense conduct, including relevant conduct, provided by the Government;

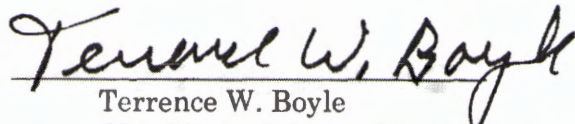
b. conduct an independent investigation of the offense conduct, including relevant conduct; and

c. provide an independent assessment of the offense conduct, including relevant conduct, in the presentence report in accordance with Fed. R. Crim. P. 32(c) and (d) and Local Criminal Rule 32.2.

4. **Variation in Individual Cases.** Each judge retains the discretion in a case to vary from the procedures set forth in this Standing Order.

5. **Effective Date.** This Standing Order shall apply to defendants whose initial appearances are held after the date of its entry. Unless extended, this Standing Order will remain in effect through September 30, 2020, and will then expire.

SO ORDERED, this 16 day of July, 2020.

  
Terrence W. Boyle  
Chief United States District Judge