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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA 24-SO-3

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Beginning January 1, 2025, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina will implement new procedures designed to improve the efficiency of the presentation of wiretap applications, the issuance of pertinent orders, and the sealing of wiretap interceptions pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2518.

To obtain an order in conformance with 18 U.S.C. § 2518(1)–(4), the United States Attorney's Office may transmit drafts of wiretap applications, affidavits, orders, and other relevant documents via electronic mail to the Chief United States District Judge, or to another United States District Judge if the Chief United States District Judge is not available.

The judge may transmit any requested revisions to the prosecutor. The prosecutor may then transmit final versions of the documents to the judge, and those documents may include electronic facsimiles of signatures by the prosecutor and the relevant federal agent.

If the documents are acceptable, the judge may schedule a time for the prosecutor and the federal agent to swear to the contents of the documents by telephonic or videoconference administration of the oath.

The judge may then transmit signed copies of the documents to the prosecutor via electronic mail. The judge may also transmit the documents to the Clerk of Court

for the Eastern District of North Carolina. Once the documents have been filed, the Clerk of Court shall transmit copies of the filed documents to the prosecutor via electronic mail.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §2518(8)(a), sealing of wiretap recordings upon expiration of the wiretap order or extension shall be as specified in the wiretap order. Unless otherwise directed by the assigned judge, the prosecutor may transmit all applications and orders for the sealing of wiretap recordings to the judge via electronic mail, with electronic facsimiles of any signatures.

If acceptable, the judge may sign the relevant sealing order, and the physical presence of the prosecutor, the federal agent, or the wiretap recordings will not be required. The judge may then transmit copies of the signed sealing order to the prosecutor via electronic mail. The judge may also transmit the signed orders to the Clerk of Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. Once the documents have

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been filed, the Clerk shall transmit filed copies of the sealing documents to the prosecutor via electronic mail.

SO ORDERED this ______ day of October, 2024.

RICHARD E. MYERS II

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE