

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA

In the Matter of

CANCELING THE GRAND JURY
SESSION THE WEEK OF JUNE 15, 2021

**MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL
ORDER NO. 21-13**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b), any case charged by complaint from May 18, 2021, to June 17, 2021, shall have an additional 30 days from the date of arrest for filing of the indictment. Due to current guidelines concerning COVID-19; the requirement of grand jurors to travel to Anchorage by plane, sit in close proximity to one another and interact with court staff; coupled with limited space availability in the United States District Courthouse in Anchorage during the month of June due to courtroom closures for renovations; the Court finds it not in the best interest of the public to convene a grand jury between May 18, 2021, and June 17, 2021, and finds that it is therefore unreasonable to expect return and filing of an indictment within 30 days of an individual's arrest or service of a summons in connection with such charges that may have occurred during that time period.

Accordingly, the Court finds that for purposes of the Speedy Trial Act, the resulting period of delay in bringing cases before the grand jury from May 18, 2021, and June 17, 2021, shall be tolled, and that this delay serves the ends of justice in a manner that outweighs the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. Accordingly, this delay shall be excluded in computing the time within which an indictment must be filed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (B)(iii). Unless further delay is excluded by order of the Court, the government shall have a total of 60 days from the date of arrest or summons to file an indictment in any case charged by criminal complaint from May 18, 2021, through June 17, 2021.

DATED this 28th day of May, 2021.

/s/ Timothy M. Burgess
Hon. Timothy M. Burgess
Chief United States District Judge

/s/ Sharon L. Gleason
Hon. Sharon L. Gleason
United States District Judge

/s/ Joshua M. Kindred
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