

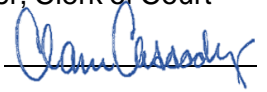
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

January 19, 2025

Nathan Ochsner, Clerk of Court

By Deputy Clerk



IN RE: TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE §
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS §
COURTHOUSES DUE TO SEVERE §
WEATHER §

GENERAL ORDER 2025-2

Due to the extreme weather conditions predicted for the Southern District of Texas, and to protect the safety of the public, staff, and judicial officers, it is ORDERED that all courthouses in the Southern District of Texas will close on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, and reopen on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at noon.

Due to the court's reduced ability to obtain an adequate spectrum of jurors and due to the reduced availability of attorneys and court staff to be present in courtrooms because of the severe weather, the periods of the continuances implemented by this order are excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C § 3161 (h)(7)(A). The court finds that the ends of justice served by ordering these continuances outweigh the interest of the public and of each defendant in a speedy trial.

The United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas remains open for official business through the Court's Electronic Case Filing (ECF) system. Parties may continue to file electronically, and remote hearings may be held at the discretion of the presiding judge.

Signed this 19th day of January 2025.



RANDY CRANE
CHIEF JUDGE