

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

**HOUSTON DIVISION; GALVESTON DIVISION;
VICTORIA DIVISION**

**ORDER FINDING THAT THE CLERK'S OFFICE AND
THE COURTHOUSE ARE INACCESSIBLE**

Due to the emergency conditions resulting from Hurricane Harvey, the Court finds that the United States Courthouse and the Office of the Clerk of this Court are inaccessible for the purposes of Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a) and Fed. R. App. P. 26(a) from August 28, 2017 through August 31, 2017.

The court also finds that given these conditions, the interests of justice are served, and the interests of the public and of the criminal defendants affected are outweighed, by a temporary exclusion of all criminal cases from the time requirements of the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161.

SIGNED on August 29, 2017, in Houston, Texas.



Lee H. Rosenthal
Chief Judge United States District Court
Southern District of Texas