

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA



IN RE:

TERMINATION OF GENERAL ORDER
20-GO-02 TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF
“WET SIGNATURE” REQUIREMENT

23-GO-01

ORDER TERMINATING GENERAL ORDER 20-GO-02

On April 20, 2023, the President approved Joint Resolution H.J.Res.7, creating Public Law 118-3, which terminated the declaration of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 National Emergency.

WHEREAS the termination of the National Emergency requires termination of this Court’s General Order 20-GO-02 which temporarily suspended the “wet signature” requirement for attorneys.

NOW THEREFORE, as of **September 1, 2023**, this Court’s Local Rule 9011-1 shall be enforced. Attorneys will no longer be able to accept signatures from Debtors or third parties using facsimile, email, text, photo, or a digital signature generated by a commercially available electronic signing technology.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that beginning **September 1, 2023**, Attorneys must obtain original signatures (“wet signature”) from their clients or other third parties, pursuant to Local Rule 9011-1. Attorneys shall maintain possession of originally signed documents, and produce them upon request, for the same periods as required by Local Rule 9011-1.

DATED this 14th day of August 2023.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Terrence L. Michael", is written over a horizontal line.

TERRENCE L. MICHAEL, CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT