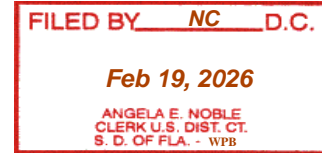


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2026-11

**IN RE: ORDER VACATING SUSPENSION OF
SEALED CRIMINAL ELECTRONIC FILINGS**



On July 24, 2025, Administrative Order 2025-54 was entered, suspending Local Rule 5.4 (Filings Under Seal; Disposal of Sealed Materials) as applied to electronically filed sealed documents in criminal cases. Considering recent updates to the Court's electronic case management system (CM/ECF), it is

ORDERED that Administrative Order 2025-54 is **VACATED**. It is further

ORDERED that the Clerk will reactivate attorney events in CM/ECF, permitting the filing of sealed criminal documents. Once activated, attorneys filing sealed criminal documents through CM/ECF will no longer be required to provide courtesy copies to the Court.

In accordance with Local Rule 5.4(b)(1), parties are required to file a motion to seal before submitting any sealed documents; the motion to seal may not be filed under seal. Parties shall not file sealed documents without prior Court approval.

This Order is effective Monday, February 23, 2026, and shall remain in effect until further Order of the Court.

DONE AND ORDERED in Miami, Florida, this 19th day of February 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cecilia M. Altonaga".

CECILIA M. ALTONAGA
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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