UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2023-40

IN RE: CELLULAR PHONE AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT USAGE IN THE WILKIE D. FERGUSON, JR. UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE ON JUNE 13, 2023

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On November 14, 2019, Administrative Order 2019-87 was entered restricting filming of any kind in any building housing a federal court, including any lobby areas, except in connection with naturalization hearings. Further, on October 17, 2018, Administrative Order 2018-79 was entered limiting the types of electronic devices that may be brought into, and used in, any federal courthouse facility within the Southern District of Florida. Paragraph I(G) specifically pertains to news reporters. It is

ORDERED that on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, all cellular phones and/or electronic equipment are hereby prohibited for news reporters and other members of the media inside the Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. United States Courthouse in Miami. It is further

ORDERED that the United States Marshals Service is to continue to inspect all cellular phones and other electronic equipment as they are brought into the federal courthouse facilities as directed to protect the Bench, Bar, and public from harm. It is further

ORDERED that the penalty for knowing or willful violation of this Administrative Order includes a sentence of 30 days in jail and/or a fine of \$5,000.00; and/or punishment for contempt of court. *See* Local Rule 77.1; 41 C.F.R. §§ 102-74.385; 102-74.420; 102-74.450; 18 U.S.C. § 401. It is further

ORDERED that all other provisions of Administrative Orders 2019-87 and 2018-79 shall remain in effect.

This Order shall be effective immediately.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this 12th day of June, 2023.

CECILIA M. ALTONAGA

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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