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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

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U.S. DIST. COURT, WESTERN DIST. OKLA.
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ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the Court hereby adopts the following policy:

ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

Policy: No visitor to the Federal Courthouse Complex ("Complex") is permitted to bring any electronic device into the Complex. "Electronic device" includes, but is not limited to, cellular or smart phones, laptops, cameras, iPads and similar tablet devices, smart watches unless placed in airplane mode prior to entering the Complex, personal digital assistants, and any device capable of taking photographs, recording audio/video, or transmitting information. Unless specifically approved by the Chief Judge, visitors are strictly forbidden from taking photographs or making video/audio recordings while inside of the Complex, to include building entrances, lobbies, foyers, alleys, courtrooms, and corridors.

Exceptions:

- A. The following individuals will be permitted to bring electronic devices into the Complex provided they have signed and comply with the Request for Electronic Access Card form at the Bankruptcy or District Court Clerk's Office and have been issued a card by the Clerk:
1. Attorneys who are members of the bar of the Western District of Oklahoma or who have been temporarily admitted in the Western District;
 2. Federal jurors;
 3. Government contractors with regular duties in the Complex; and
 4. Individuals who frequently assist attorneys in legal matters (such as runners, legal assistants, paralegals, in-trial representative(s) of a party, consultants and expert witnesses needed for trials). These individuals must have an attorney who has already been issued an Electronic Access Card vouch for them.
- B. Devices may only be used for cellular usage (calls, texts, emails, etc.). Photos and

video/audio recordings are strictly prohibited.

- C. As determined by the U.S. Marshal or designee under special, limited circumstances or in connection with special events taking place in the Complex.
- D. As determined by the Chief Judge, or presiding judge, for good cause and on a case-by-case basis.

ENTERED this 6th day of October, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Timothy D. DeGiusti". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first name "Timothy" is written with a large, stylized 'T'. The middle initial "D." is written with a large 'D' and a period. The last name "DeGiusti" is written with a large 'D' and a period, and the 'u' at the end is written with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

TIMOTHY D. DeGIUSTI
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE