

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW
LASALLE IMMIGRATION COURT
JENA, LOUISIANA**

**STANDING ORDER OF THE LASALLE IMMIGRATION COURT RELATING TO
TELEPHONIC APPEARANCES AT IMMIGRATION COURT HEARINGS**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, for the thirty (30) day period following the signing of this order, parties scheduled to appear for a master calendar or bond hearings before the LaSalle Immigration Court may appear telephonically, without the need to file a motion for telephonic appearance. Telephonic Appearances for individual merits hearings still need to be requested (in the form of a written motion) and decided on a case-by-cases basis. This permission is subject to the following caveats:

- 1) Any individual who wishes to appear telephonically does so with the understanding that any paper or electronic filings to be considered by the Court must be in the official record of proceeding at the time the hearing is scheduled to be held. No additional filings will be accepted at the hearing if counsel does not appear in person, and the decision of the Court will be based on the documents in the record at the close of the hearing.
- 2) Any party appearing telephonically waives the right to object to admissibility of any document offered in Court on the sole basis that they are unable to examine the document.
- 3) The parties will provide to the Court with a valid contact number for the telephonic appearance at least 2 business days prior to the hearing.
- 4) If the Court is unable to reach counsel by telephone for the hearing, counsel will thereafter be required to appear in-person at any rescheduled hearing.

Date: March 25, 2020

Grady A. Crooks
Assistant Chief Immigration Judge
LaSalle Immigration Court
Jena, Louisiana