

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW
UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION COURT
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA**

**STANDING ORDER OF THE PHILADELPHIA IMMIGRATION COURT
RELATING TO TELEPHONIC APPEARANCES AT MASTER CALENDAR 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 hearing before the Philadelphia Immigration Court may appear telephonically, without prior approval and without filing a motion in advance. Attorneys or accredited representatives who would like to appear telephonically for a particular case should inform the Philadelphia Immigration Court, main desk, in advance of the hearing by calling (215) 656-7000, and provide the relevant alien number, the date of the hearing, and the best phone number for the attorney.

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 proceedings 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 documents offered in Court on the sole basis that they were unable to examine the document.
- 3) 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: April 3, 2020


Jack H. Weil

Assistant Chief Immigration Judge
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania