UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION COURT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

STANDING ORDER OF THE IMMIGRATION COURT

Effective immediately and for as long as the State of Maryland continues to operate under a State of Emergency, any attorney for any party may appear telephonically in any case before the Baltimore Immigration Court without prior approval and without filing a motion in advance. Section 4.15(m)(i) of the Immigration Court Practice Manual is waived for the duration of this Standing Order, including any extensions.

Attorneys who request a telephonic appearance for a particular hearing must call the court at least five business days in advance of the hearing. Counsel shall provide the best email address to receive OpenVoice call-in information in the event OpenVoice will be used, and the best telephone number at which counsel may be reached. Respondents are required to be present in court for the hearing, unless their presence is waived.

Motions to Continue hearings due to COVID-19 concerns should be filed within 24 hours prior to the scheduled hearing or as soon as possible and, to the extent practicable, be made to the Court by e-filing. The Court's mailbox is Baltimore.Immigration.Court@usdoj.gov. Any emergencies related to COVID-19 arising the day of a hearing should be brought to the Court's attention immediately by calling the Court.

This order supersedes Assistant Chief Immigration Judge David M. Jones's Standing Order dated April 2, 2020.

Date: June 30, 2020

Assistant Chief Immigration Judge

David M. Jones