

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	CASE NO.: 1:15CR263
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Plaintiff,)	JUDGE PATRICIA A. GAUGHAN
)	
v.)	
)	<u>ORDER REGARDING</u>
KENNETH JACKSON, <i>et al.</i> ,)	<u>ALTERNATIVE VICTIM</u>
)	<u>NOTIFICATION UNDER</u>
Defendants.)	<u>18 U.S.C. § 3771(d)(2)</u>

The United States of America has moved this Court, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3771(d)(2), for authorization to employ alternative victim notification procedures, in lieu of those prescribed by section 3771(a), (b) and (c), on the grounds that the number of crime victims in this case makes it impracticable to accord all of the crime victims the rights described in Section 3771(a).

For good cause shown, the Court hereby GRANTS that motion and ORDERS that the following alternative victim notification procedures be employed by the United States in this case:

1. The Government will use the Justice Department's website for large cases, <http://justice.gov/largecases/>, to direct victims to a case-specific website where all required notices will be posted.
2. Notification to the already-identified victims will be provided by a computerized operating system known as the Victim Notification System ("VNS"). An initial notice will be

sent via regular mail to each of the approximately 574 identified potential victims informing them that they have the option in VNS to receive notice in three ways: (1) a Call Center that allows the victim to call an automated system, 24-hours-a-day, and obtain information on future court hearings, historical court events, and details such as charges filed, outcome of charges, the sentence imposed, and the custody status for each defendant; (2) the VNS Internet website, which provides victims the text of all correspondence and any attachments, the same basic information as the Call Center, and links to additional information; and (3) e-mail notification for every event that is covered under the Act if the victim updates their contact information to include a valid e-mail address.

3. The Government will issue a press release informing individuals who believe they may be victims to access the Justice Department website for more information.

4. Victim notification at the corrections stage will be provided through the Bureau of Prisons' website, www.bop.gov.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Patricia A. Gaughan
PATRICIA A. GAUGHAN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

8/3/15
Date