UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



IN RE: 2018 First Step Act Litigation

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WHEREAS, on December 21, 2018, President Trump signed into law the First Step Act of 2018, which, in part, makes retroactive provisions of the Fair Sentencing Act of 2010; and

WHEREAS, a number of defendants previously sentenced in the Western District of New York have been identified as potentially eligible for application of this retroactive legislation; and

WHEREAS, potentially eligible defendants are either currently incarcerated with no significant source of income, or serving a term of supervised release with no significant source of income; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Defender's Office will undertake to represent these individuals, some of whom are not their former clients; and

WHEREAS, to determine whether any particular defendant is actually eligible for relief, the Federal Defender's Office and the United States Attorney's Office will need access to each individual's Presentence Investigation Report, Judgment of Conviction with Statement of Reasons, and Plea Agreement, it is therefore

ORDERED, that the United States Probation Office for the Western District of New York provide to the Federal Defender's Office and the United States Attorney's Office a copy of the Presentence Investigation Report, Judgment of Conviction with Statement of Reasons, and Plea Agreement (if it is not available electronically) for any individual identified as potentially eligible for such reduction; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Federal Public Defender's Office be permitted to accept assignment of said individuals without filing a Financial Affidavit for the purposes of determining eligibility and filing of any motion for a reduction.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 2, 2019 Rochester, New York

HON. FRANK P. GERACI, JR.

Chief Judge

United States District Court