

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE: PLAN TO OPERATE THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN
DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE ABSENCE OF FUNDING OR APPROPRIATIONS

O R D E R

AND NOW, this 17th day of October, 2013, after consultation with the district court judges, magistrate judges, bankruptcy court judges, the Clerk of the district court, the Clerk of the Bankruptcy court, the Chief Probation Officer and the Chief Pre-trial Officer of this district court, and upon careful review of staffing needs for the performance of essential functions in their respective departments, it has been determined that, in light of the significantly high workload and the substantial reduction in staff in the last three years, all employees are needed to perform essential work. Likewise, chambers staff for the district court judges, magistrate judges and bankruptcy court judges are necessary to the timely and appropriate resolution of cases. It is hereby


ORDERED that the court adopts the following plan: court personnel currently employed in the following offices are deemed to be essential to this court in the performance of its duty under Article III of the Constitution of the United States to hear and decide cases:

1. Chambers of each district court judge;
2. The clerk of this court;
3. Probation;
4. Pre-trial services;
5. Chambers of each magistrate judge;
6. Chambers of each bankruptcy court judge; and
7. The clerk of the bankruptcy court.

It is hereby **FURTHER ORDERED** that all employees of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and all ancillary units shall report to work for regularly scheduled hours to continue all normal operations, all travel shall be avoided without the consent of the Chief Judge, and no new hires or expenditures shall be made without the consent of the Chief Judge.

Furthermore, the General Services Administration, the Federal Protective Service, and the United States Marshal's Service are requested to maintain all functions necessary for the continued safe use of the United States Courthouses in this district.

This Order shall continue to remain in effect until modified or withdrawn.



PETRESE B. TUCKER
Chief Judge