## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

RE: THE MATTER OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE SALLY J. BERENS and THE REASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN CASES

Administrative Order No. 19-CA-093

WHEREAS, Magistrate Judge Ellen S. Carmody, has announced her retirement, effective November 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS the District Judges of this Court have unanimously appointed Sally J. Berens as a Magistrate Judge of this Court, effective November 2, 2019; and

WHEREAS an orderly transition is in the interest of the Court and all litigants;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED as follows:

Effective November 2, 2019,

- A. Magistrate Judge Sally J. Berens will be assigned at random in Southern Division civil cases filed on and after November 2, 2019, according to the approved procedure.
- B. All pending civil and criminal matters, heretofore referred to Magistrate Judge Ellen S. Carmody are referred to Magistrate Judge Sally J. Berens, with the following exceptions:
  - 1. Any civil or criminal matter wherein Sally J. Berens, as Assistant United States Attorney, has entered an appearance or has been personally involved; and
  - 2. Any other matter to which Magistrate Judge Berens has determined that recusal is necessary.
- C. All pending civil and criminal matters assigned to Magistrate Judge Ellen S. Carmody as the presiding judge, are hereby reassigned to Magistrate Judge Sally J. Berens, subject to the exceptions noted above.
- D. Any post-judgment matter that arises in any civil or criminal matter previously assigned or referred to Magistrate Judge Carmody will be automatically reassigned by the Clerk's Office to Magistrate Judge Berens, subject to the exceptions noted above.

FOR THE COURT:

Dated: November 1, 2019

ROBERT J. JONKER

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE