

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

IN RE: ASSIGNMENT OF CRIMINAL CASES

General Order No. 2025-01

GENERAL ORDER

This general order is being entered pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 137 and Local Rule 40-1, providing for distribution of the court's business and caseload among the Judges in such manner as may be prescribed by order of the court. This Order supersedes General Order 2024-20 entered August 5, 2024.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the distribution of criminal cases will be as follows:

(a) In the Fort Wayne Division, criminal cases will be assigned to Chief Judge Holly A. Brady. All motions for reduction of sentence and compassionate release pursuant to Sections 404 and 603 of the First Step Act of 2018, respectively, as well as any supervised release revocation proceedings, arising from cases formerly assigned to Judge William C. Lee or Judge Theresa L. Springmann will be assigned to Chief Judge Brady.

(b) In the Hammond Division, Judge Philip P. Simon, Judge James T. Moody, and Judge Gretchen S. Lund, will share in the random assignment of criminal cases with Judge Simon and Judge Lund taking a full share and Judge Moody taking a 40% share, except that: Judge Moody will not be assigned any criminal cases with more than three (3) defendants, any death penalty cases, any Medicare/Medicaid cases, or any cases involving sexual exploitation of minors, including but not limited to crimes of child molestation, child pornography, and transportation of children in interstate commerce for the purpose of sexual activities. No criminal cases will be assigned to Judge Joseph S. Van Bokkelen, Judge Theresa L. Springmann, and Judge Jon E. DeGuilio and any supervised release revocation proceedings arising from their Hammond cases will be assigned to Judge Lund. Judge DeGuilio will accept all motions for reduction of sentence

and compassionate release pursuant to Sections 404 and 603 of the First Step Act of 2018, respectively, arising from Hammond cases formerly assigned to him.

(c) In the South Bend Division, criminal cases will be assigned to Judge Damon R. Leichty and Judge Cristal C. Brisco with Judge Leichty taking a full share and Judge Brisco taking a 90% share. Any motions for compassionate release pursuant to Sections 404 and 603 of the First Step Act of 2018, respectively, as well as any supervised release revocation proceedings arising from cases formerly assigned to Judge Allen Sharp or Judge Robert L. Miller, Jr., will be assigned to Judge Leichty. All motions for reduction of sentence and compassionate release pursuant to Sections 404 and 603 of the First Step Act of 2018, respectively, as well as supervised release revocation proceedings that arise from cases assigned to Judge DeGuilio, will be assigned to Judge Brisco.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 20, 2025

/s/ Holly A. Brady
Holly A. Brady, Chief Judge

/s/ James T. Moody
James T. Moody, Judge

/s/ Philip P. Simon
Philip P. Simon, Judge

/s/ Theresa L. Springmann
Theresa L. Springmann, Judge

/s/ Joseph S. Van Bokkelen
Joseph S. Van Bokkelen, Judge

/s/ Jon E. DeGuilio
Jon E. DeGuilio, Judge

/s/ Damon R. Leichty
Damon R. Leichty, Judge

/s/ Cristal C. Brisco
Cristal C. Brisco, Judge

/s/ Gretchen S. Lund
Gretchen S. Lund, Judge