# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC NOTICE

#### Press/Public Information for College Admissions Sentencings on August 21, 2020

The outline attached to this notice provides specific information relating to two upcoming sentencings related to the alleged nationwide college admissions scheme, including how to request virtual attendance.

The District of Massachusetts maintains a media page on the Court's website that contains information of particular interest to media organizations. That page may be found at:

https://www.mad.uscourts.gov/general/media.htm

August 18, 2020

\_/s/ Robert M. Farrell\_\_

Robert M. Farrell

**Clerk of Court** 

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

#### Press/Public Information for August 21, 2020

The following information pertains to registration for the following hearings:

- 1) Sentencing 1:19-cr-10080-NMG-8 (USA v. Mossimo Giannulli) Currently scheduled for 11:00 AM on August 21, 2020
- 2) Sentencing 1:19-cr-10080-NMG-14 (USA v. Lori Loughlin) Currently scheduled for 2:30 PM on August 21, 2020

#### Please read in entirety if you plan on attending either hearing:

- Defendants will **not** be present at the Moakley Courthouse for the above hearings and will be attending remotely by way of video.
- Considering the extent of public interest in these cases and the potential public health risk posed by COVID-19, **the Court is requiring remote attendance** for all registrants. As such, the Court has greatly increased its Zoom video capacity. Audio access will remain available if video capacity is reached.
- To receive access information, you must register through the USDC-MA remote sign-up page for hearings: <a href="https://forms.mad.uscourts.gov/courtlist.html">https://forms.mad.uscourts.gov/courtlist.html</a>
- Registration for these hearings will become available, as with all USDC-MA hearings, 2 days in advance. The form with 8/21/20 hearings listed will become live at approx. 4:10 AM EST on 8/19/20.
- After registering, you will be sent to a confirmation page. A confirmation email with access information will be sent to registrants at 7:30 AM on the morning of the hearing. If you register on the day of the hearings, a confirmation email with access information will be sent within 5 minutes of registration. Access information is not to be forwarded or distributed out to any other parties.
- Registrants will receive video access information until the approximate video capacity count is reached. To ensure that those who register early can receive video access, we ask that you do not forward access information to other parties. Logging into the Zoom waiting room at least 30 minutes early is recommended. If Zoom capacity is reached for the hearing, video access is not guaranteed.

- As per Local Rule 83.3(a) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 53, **recording**, **photographing**, **and broadcasting is <u>strictly prohibited</u>** in federal criminal court **proceedings** – this extends to virtual hearings and screenshotting. Please view these rules in their entirety below.

#### **Local Rule 83.3(a) provides:**

"Photographing, Recording, and Broadcasting Generally Prohibited. Except as specifically provided in these rules or by order of the court, no person shall take any photograph, make any recording, or make any broadcast by radio, television, or other means, in the course of or in connection with any proceedings in this court, on any floor of any building on which proceedings of this court are or, in the regular course of the business of the court, may be held."

### Regarding the filming of criminal cases, Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 53 provides:

"Except as otherwise provided by a statute or these rules, the court must not permit the taking of photographs in the courtroom during judicial proceedings or the broadcasting of judicial proceedings from the courtroom."

Violations of this rule may result in the suspension or revocation of the media credentials of an individual or media organization and the imposition of other sanctions upon court order.

- For access to public case documents, visit PACER (Public Access to Court Electronic Records): <a href="https://pacer.uscourts.gov/">https://pacer.uscourts.gov/</a>
- Please direct any questions to: **media@mad.uscourts.gov**