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USDC-MA Update on Jury Trials and In-Court Proceedings

On January 13, 2022, in light of the current public-health situation, the District Court extended its suspension of jury trials and other in-court proceedings, subject to certain exceptions, from January 28 to February 4, 2022. Today, the District Court extended that suspension, in part, to February 11, 2022.

Beginning February 4, 2022, and through at least February 11, 2022, the following types of proceedings are suspended: (1) in-person criminal proceedings involving a detained defendant (except where required by law) and (2) jury trials (except for civil proceedings in the Worcester or Springfield courthouses that have been specifically approved by the Court). Other proceedings – including, for example, changes of plea or sentencings where the defendant is not detained, or civil bench trials – may go forward in person at the discretion of the individual judicial officer.

The Court expects to consider whether to further extend the suspension on an ongoing weekly basis.

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