

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

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Eastern District of Tennessee
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ZONE A IMMIGRATION CASES) SO-18-06

STANDING ORDER

The Court hereby adopts the following procedures in criminal immigration cases charged under Title 8 of the United States Code where the defendant's Guidelines range is zero to six months or Zone A:

- (1) On the Indictment Cover Sheet, the Assistant United States Attorney ("AUSA") will state whether the defendant's Guidelines range potentially falls into Zone A.
- (2) Upon arrest or writ, the Clerk's Office ("CO") will contact Federal Defender Services of Eastern Tennessee ("FDS") regarding appointment of counsel. If FDS declines the appointment, the CO will consult with certain CJA panel attorneys for appointment.
- (3) As early as possible, defendant will sign a consent approving the United States Probation Office ("Probation") to initiate a Presentence Investigation and allowing disclosure of the Presentence Report ("PSR") prior to a plea of guilty or nolo contendere. Defense counsel shall file the consent with the Court. Once filed, Probation will begin conducting the Investigation.
- (4) As early as possible and preferably no later than 30 days after the initial appearance,¹ the AUSA will file the Plea Agreement should the parties enter into such agreement or Notice of Intent to Plead Guilty with Agreed Factual Basis.
- (5) The Court will set the Change of Plea Hearing and Sentencing Hearing on the same date no later than 75 days from the filing of the waiver or as soon thereafter as practicable. The CO will schedule an interpreter once the hearings are set.

¹ The magistrate judges should set the plea agreement deadline for 30 days from the initial appearance.

