

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: AMENDMENT 782 TO)
SENTENCING GUIDELINES) Chief Judge Thomas A. Varlan
) SO-14-07

STANDING ORDER

On July 18, 2014, the United States Sentencing Commission voted to give retroactive effect to the guideline amendment reducing by two levels the offense levels assigned to the quantities in sections 2D1.1 and 2D1.11 of the *United States Sentencing Commission Guidelines Manual*, which will be designated Amendment 782 in Appendix C. The amendment will become effective November 1, 2014, absent Congressional action to the contrary.

Because of the large number of defendants who may be affected by this retroactive amendment, the Court **APPOINTS** Federal Defender Services of Eastern Tennessee (“FDS”) to represent all defendants unless the defendant has retained counsel or the previously appointed CJA attorney wishes to represent the defendant.

FDS will identify defendants with a claim for relief under the amended guidelines and represent such defendants in filing motions for reduced sentences under the amendment. FDS shall identify any conflicts of interest and notify the Court so new counsel can be appointed. Any defendant who was not previously represented by FDS or

a CJA attorney will need to complete an *in forma pauperis* application and file the application with the Court.

The United States Probation Office is **AUTHORIZED** to disclose relevant information to FDS, including the identities of defendants it has identified as being affected by the amendment and presentence investigation reports. The Probation Office, FDS, and the United States Attorney's Office are encouraged to assist the Court in identifying those cases deserving of priority treatment, *i.e.*, those cases where a defendant's release date is near.

SO ORDERED.

ENTERED BY THE COURT AUGUST 8, 2014:

s/Thomas A. Varlan
Chief United States District Judge