

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

ORDER

General Docket No. 2020-7

The court has twice ordered the clerk's office to extend filing deadlines for incarcerated pro se filers by 30 days. *See* General Docket Nos. 2020-4 and 2020-6. These extensions were ordered because procedures put in place by the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Mississippi Department of Corrections and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in response to the pandemic were preventing or delaying the ability of incarcerated filers to meet filing deadlines. The pandemic persists as do the policies implemented by the above agencies. Further complicating the issue, the Federal Bureau of Prisons has implemented a nationwide total lockdown of all its facilities in response to protests taking place across the country and, in some instances, destruction of property and other criminal conduct. The pandemic will not resolve on a date certain, and it is unclear when the lockdown of Federal prison facilities will be lifted.

Accordingly, the clerk's office is ordered to extend deadlines for incarcerated pro se filers in 30-day increments until such time as this court rescinds this order.

All previous changes ordered in General Docket Nos. 2020-3, 2020-4, 2020-5, 2020-6 remain in effect. This order continues until rescinded.

Dated this 2d day of June 2020.




CHIEF JUDGE PRISCILLA R. OWEN
U.S. FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

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Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit