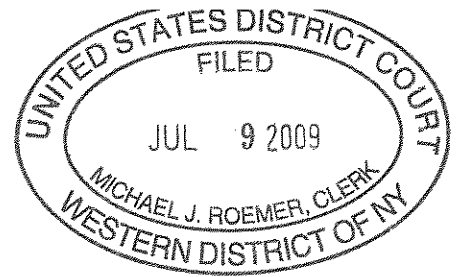


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



IN RE:

AMENDED STANDING ORDER

FILING CRIMINAL INFORMATIONS


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Rule 7 (b) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure permits the prosecution of a felony violation by means of information if the defendant - in open court and after being advised of the nature of the charge and his rights - waives prosecution by indictment. To facilitate the docketing of felony informations and the assignment of the case to a District Court Judge, it is hereby

ORDERED that the United States Attorney shall file criminal informations, when a defendant has agreed to waive indictment, to permit the assignment of a court number and judge. Thereafter, the case shall be scheduled for a waiver of indictment and plea hearing. If no plea hearing is held or if a plea is not entered within ninety days of the filing of the information, it shall be dismissed by the Clerk, without prejudice. The filing of the information shall have no effect until the Court accepts the defendant's waiver of indictment.

This Amended Standing Order amends the Standing Order signed on June 17, 2009 and filed on June 19, 2009.

SO ORDERED.

  
HONORABLE RICHARD J. ARCARA  
CHIEF JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DATED: July 7, 2009