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DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM

OCT 20 2025

JEANNE G. QUINATA
CLERK OF COURT

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM

IN RE:

GENERAL ORDER 25-0020

COURT OPERATION DURING A LAPSE IN
APPROPRIATION OR ABSENCE OF
CONTINUING RESOLUTION

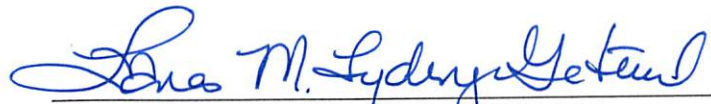
While the government-wide shutdown began on October 1, 2025, the federal judiciary was able to continue paid operations through October 17, 2025 using court fee balances and no-year appropriations. Effective today, the federal judiciary no longer has funding to sustain full, paid operations. Consistent with the Antideficiency Act, the District Court of Guam must reduce its operations and perform only excepted activities, which include activities necessary to the exercise of the judiciary's constitutional functions; activities addressing emergency circumstances, such that the suspension of the function would threaten the safety of human life or the protection of property; and activities otherwise authorized by law. For example, excepted activities include jury trials, sentencing hearings, pretrial hearings, arrest warrants, bankruptcy cases, civil cases, and Central Violations Bureau cases.

Proceedings in the District Court of Guam, business hours and services at the Clerk's Office, and probation and pretrial supervision by the U.S. Probation Office for Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands will continue as usual. Judges rely on their chamber staff, officers, and employees of the court to perform excepted work. Excepted work will be performed without pay

1 during the funding lapse. Employees that are not required to perform excepted work will be
2 furloughed.

3 The CM/ECF electronic case filing system will remain online, and case information will
4 remain available on PACER.

5 **SO ORDERED** this 20th day of October, 2025.

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9 FRANCES M. TYDINGCO-GATEWOOD
10 Chief District Judge
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