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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

In the matter of:

COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE
EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED
BY CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-
19)

GENERAL ORDER 21-1

**REPLACES GENERAL ORDER 20-3 UPON
EXPIRATION OF THE SEVENTH EXTENSION
ON JUNE 30, 2021**

14 This General Order is being issued in response to the ongoing public health emergency
15 caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, and to further the operations of the United States Bankruptcy
16 Court for the District of Arizona in light of the reduction in COVID-19 related illnesses and
17 increased vaccination rate. Upon consideration of the foregoing, **effective July 1, 2021:**

18 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** as follows:

19 1. All court hearings, unless otherwise ordered or unless otherwise stated herein shall
20 be conducted telephonically or by videoconference. In-person trials or other evidentiary hearings
21 may be conducted, as determined on a case-by-case basis by the presiding judge, and in
22 consultation with the parties, subject to observance of the safety protocols set forth herein.
23 Provisions will be made for a telephonic or videoconference appearance for any Participant,
24 defined as any attorney, litigant or witness, who chooses not to appear in person.

25 2. The following protocols must be observed and followed in any in-person
26 evidentiary hearing or trial:

27 a. All Participants are to observe social distancing rules. No more than one
28 counsel and one client representative may sit at each counsel table at a time.

