



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
Southern District of Mississippi
Office of the Clerk

ANNOUNCEMENT

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

About Electronic Access to Sealed and Restricted Documents
and Service Thereof

On September 29, 2025, Chief Judge Sul Ozerden entered an administrative order restricting electronic access to sealed and restricted documents beginning immediately. Please note that this limitation will apply to both fully sealed documents and documents which have been or are restricted to court users and case participants.

Sealed and restricted documents will continue to be filed in CM/ECF under existing procedures. Attorneys and parties with the right to access a sealed or restricted document can still request a paper copy by contacting the Clerk's Office. Sealed/restricted documents are no longer available via PACER. A "stub" document will replace the sealed or restricted document in CM/ECF, and attorneys should NOT click the "View Document" button from the "stub" page to avoid being charged. Please contact the court directly to request access to the document.

Because sealed and restricted documents filed in CM/ECF will no longer be accessible or viewable electronically, service of such documents cannot be accomplished through CM/ECF. Attorneys and parties will have to serve sealed and restricted documents by other appropriate means as provided by the Federal Rules of Procedure. The court will serve sealed and restricted documents in paper by mail or by email to attorneys of record.

For more information and a copy of the administrative order, visit <https://www.mssd.uscourts.gov/> and access the order in the lower right column under "News and Announcements." You may also contact the Clerk's Office with a question at 601-608-4000 (Jackson and Natchez); 601-255-6400 (Hattiesburg); and 228-563-1700 (Gulfport) or by email to clerk_comments@mssd.uscourts.gov.

ARTHUR JOHNSTON, CLERK
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By: _____, Clerk