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ANNOUNCEMENT

Recently, the PACER Service Center implemented Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) requirements for attorneys and other external users when accessing PACER or filing documents in CM/ECF. Our court has previously issued multiple notices via CM/ECF about this development.

This change requires users to obtain a Multi-Factor Authentication application (such as DOU and many others) and use it to receive one-time passcodes when logging in to PACER and CM/ECF. This was a nationwide deployment from PACER and the Administrative Office of U. S. Courts, and it is, unfortunately, outside of our control. Our district had no choice in the matter. **We are as frustrated as many of you.**

We also understand the extremely long backlog to get help from the PACER Service Center. This is also unfortunate and compounds an already unpleasant situation.

The best option is to read and understand the materials at the following links and follow the steps outlined.

https://pacer.uscourts.gov/announcements/2025/09/16/mfa-tips-and-resources

https://www.mssd.uscourts.gov/pacer-multi-factor-authentication-mfa

Again, we apologize for the trouble this deployment has caused.

This the 19th day of September 2025.

ARTHUR JOHNSTON, CLERK UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI



By: ______,Clerk