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IN RE: SENTENCING GUIDELINES PROCEDURES	GENERAL ORDER

1. Upon conviction or guilty plea, the court shall, unless exceptional circumstances exist, set a date for sentencing no earlier than eight (8) weeks after conviction or plea and order a presentence report.

2. No later than twenty-eight (28) calendar days before the date of sentencing the probation officer shall provide a copy of the presentence report to defense counsel and the attorney for the government.

3. Within ten (10) calendar days after receiving the presentence report, counsel shall communicate any objections to the report to the probation officer and opposing counsel. Counsel shall attempt to resolve any factual disputes or guideline application issues with the probation officer, or each other, through informal discussion and/or conference. The probation officer will make necessary revisions to the presentence report.

4. At least ten (10) calendar days before the sentencing date, counsel shall provide the probation officer with written notice of any objections to the presentence report, including objection to material included or omitted and objections to guideline applications. Counsel shall also inform the probation officer and Clerk's Office whether or not an evidentiary hearing will be necessary at the sentencing and, if so, whether witnesses will be called, who they will be, and an estimated length of the hearing. The probation officer shall prepare an addendum to the presentence report identifying all unresolved objections raised by counsel and including information covering any evidentiary hearing.

5. Not less than five (5) calendar days prior to the sentencing date, the presentence report shall be submitted to the court and all parties. This report shall be accompanied by the addendum setting forth the unresolved objections raised by counsel and any written materials provided by counsel in support of their respective positions. Supplemental written submissions of counsel shall be served and provided to the court within the time frame set forth in this paragraph.

6. Any objections not provided the probation officer as set forth in paragraph 4 may not be raised at the sentencing hearing except upon a showing of good cause. Sentencing disputes shall be resolved by the court pursuant to the provisions of Crim. R.32(c)(3)(D).

Barbara J. Rothstein

BARBARA J. ROTHSTEIN
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE