1 2 3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 4 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 5 In Re: 6 **GENERAL ORDER 09-23** RETROACTIVE APPLICATION OF 7 U.S.S.G. AMENDMENT 821 8 9 10 11 To promote the efficient processing of motions pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2) for a 12 sentence reduction under the retroactive application of U.S.S.G. Amendment 821, the U.S. 13 District Court for the Western District of Washington adopts the following standing order: 14 Pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 3006A(a)(1) and 15 (c), and in accordance with the retroactive application of U.S.S.G. Amendment 821, the 16 17 administrators for the Criminal Justice Act in the Western District of Washington ("CJA") are 18 authorized to appoint counsel for any defendant previously determined to have been entitled to 19 appointment of counsel or found indigent by the Court (i) whose name appears on the lists of 20 defendants potentially qualifying for a reduction of sentence supplied by the United States 21 Sentencing Commission, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, United States 22 Probation Office ("Probation Office"), Federal Public Defender's Office, or Office of the 23 United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington ("U.S. Attorney's Office") or 24 (ii) who files a pro se motion for relief seeking a sentence reduction under the retroactive 25

application of U.S.S.G. Amendment 821, including Part A (Status Points under § 4A1.1) and

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Part B (Zero-Point Offenders). The appointment is limited to those cases affected or potentially affected by this amendment and will terminate upon the district court's ruling or the conclusion of the appellate process, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

The Probation Office is authorized to disclose the defendants' Presentence Investigation Reports or Modified Presentence Investigation Reports, Judgments, and Statements of Reasons to the Federal Public Defender's Office or retained counsel, and the U.S. Attorney's Office.

CJA will presumptively appoint the Federal Public Defender unless there is a prohibitive conflict or the case will involve litigation better addressed by the previously appointed counsel.

The Office of the Clerk of Court for the Western District of Washington ("Clerk's Office") is authorized to disclose to appointed or retained counsel, and the U.S. Attorney's Office, documents from the defendants' case file that are not otherwise available through the judiciary's Public Access to Court Electronic Records ("PACER") service to determine the defendants' eligibility, the extent for relief, and conflicts. Specifically, the Clerk's Office may disclose U.S.S.G. §5K1.1 motions and orders, motions and orders related to Fed. R. Crim. P. 35, plea agreements, charging documents, notices of enhancement under 21 U.S.C. § 851, transcripts available pursuant to Judicial Conference policy, verdicts, orders related to U.S.S.G. Amendment 782, and motions under 28 U.S.C. § 2255. Appointed or retained counsel may not further distribute such documents, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2023.

David G. Estudillo

Chief United States District Judge