

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 19-01**

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DIST. OHIO
EAST. DIV. COLUMBUS

IN RE:

**APPOINTMENT OF SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER/
CJA PANEL ATTORNEYS TO REPRESENT ALL FEDERAL INMATES ORIGINALLY
SENTENCED IN THIS DISTRICT WHO MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR REDUCTION IN THEIR
SENTENCES PURSUANT TO THE FIRST STEP ACT of 2018**

On December 22, 2018, the President of the United States signed legislation that reforms sentencing under the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 801 et. seq.), certain sentencing provisions (18 U.S.C. 3553, 924(c)), and reauthorizes the Second Chance Act of 2007.

The changes brought on by this legislation may affect many defendants who will be or have been sentenced in this district previously. The Court has reviewed a preliminary listing of inmates who are potentially eligible for reduction of their sentences and concludes that further screening of these inmates (and other inmates who may be eligible) is appropriate.

The Court in this order appoints the Federal Public Defender to review the list of potential defendants who may be eligible for relief and to consult with the United States Attorneys Office. The Defenders office will first determine whether the office has a potential or actual conflict of representation. If no conflict exists, then the Federal Defender's office will, by this Order, represent those defendants. If, on the other hand, a conflict exists, then Criminal Justice Act counsel shall be appointed using normal Court procedure to determine the eligibility for relief, and any other representation as may be necessary.

1-25-2019
DATE


EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR.
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE