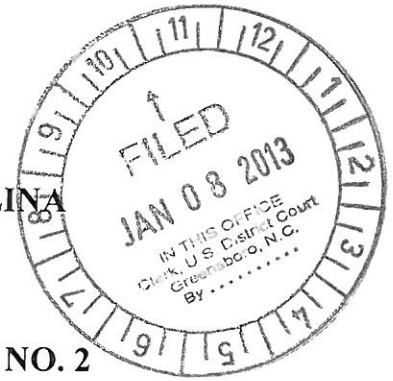


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA



RE: USE OF ELECTRONIC )  
DEVICES BY ATTORNEYS )  
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STANDING ORDER NO. 2

This matter is before the court on its own motion to establish a uniform policy regarding cell phones, laptops, tablets or other electronic devices being brought into the federal courthouses by attorneys in the Middle District of North Carolina.

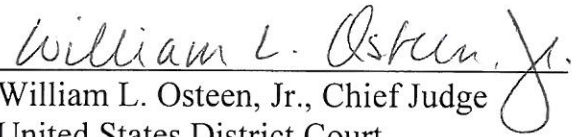
Effective immediately, members of the bar and attorneys who have associated with local counsel pursuant to Local Rule 83.1(d) may bring electronic devices into the courthouse upon showing of an Electronic Device Permission card. Attorneys may request the card by obtaining an Electronic Device Request and Acknowledgment Form from the clerk's office.

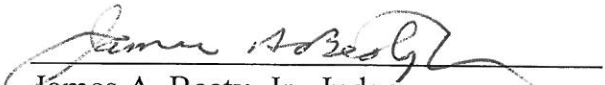
All electronic devices are subject to screening by the United States Marshal's Service or a Court Security Officer, and shall not be used to record, broadcast or transmit any video images or audio sounds of the proceedings or the environs. See LR83.7. Permitted attorneys shall maintain sole custody over the electronic device and shall not allow it to be used by anyone else unless they have been given court permission.


The use of an electronic device shall not disturb the court. While in the courtroom, attorneys should ensure that no sounds are emitted from the device and that the device is used only for official purposes during the proceeding being heard by the court. In all other instances, the device should be turned off while in the courtroom.

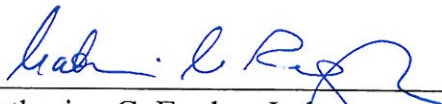
Failure to comply with any of the previous paragraphs may result in loss of right to use an electronic device in the United States District Courthouses in the Middle District of North Carolina, confiscation of the device, or result in other court sanctions, including, but not limited to, contempt of court.

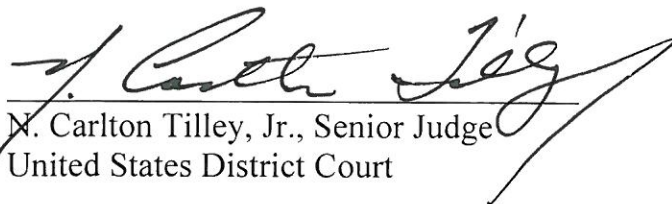
This the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

  
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William L. Osteen, Jr., Chief Judge  
United States District Court

  
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James A. Beaty, Jr., Judge  
United States District Court

  
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Thomas D. Schroeder, Judge  
United States District Court

  
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Catherine C. Eagles, Judge  
United States District Court

  
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N. Carlton Tilley, Jr., Senior Judge  
United States District Court