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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**SUSPENSION OF NATURALIZATION  
CEREMONIES IN THE WESTERN  
DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

**Fifth Amended  
Standing Order No. 2020-3**

Effective immediately, due to the health threats posed by the novel coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic, the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia is temporarily SUSPENDING all naturalization ceremonies scheduled to be performed in this district on or before December 31, 2020.

During this temporary period of suspension and until further Order of this Court, the Attorney General of the United States, acting through the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), may administer the Oath of Allegiance to all applicants for naturalization residing in the Western District of Virginia. See 8 U.S.C. § 1421.

It is so **ORDERED**.

Entered this 8th day of October, 2020.



Michael F. Urbanski  
Chief U.S. District Judge  
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