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

In the Matter of: **Authorization for U. S. Probation Officers to Carry Firearms and Oleoresin Capsicum**

STANDING ORDER NUMBER 04-5

It appearing that to ensure their safety, the probation officers of this court may require the carrying of firearms and oleoresin capsicum in the execution of their official duties.

Now, therefore, it is ORDERED that pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3603(9), each regularly appointed probation officer of this court is authorized to carry a firearm and oleoresin capsicum for self-defense purposes during the performance of official duties when qualified and authorized by the chief probation officer.

It is further ORDERED that probation officers carrying firearms and oleoresin capsicum comply with all rules and regulations governing the carrying of firearms and oleoresin capsicum by such officers including the firearms policy of this District, the firearms and oleoresin capsicum regulations of the Director of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts, and the national firearms policy.

ENTERED this the 17th day of June, 2004.

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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