

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND**

**GENERAL ORDER REGARDING
DEPOSITIONS IN CIVIL CASES DURING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC**

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(4), depositions in all civil cases in this district shall be conducted by remote video means until further order of the Court. In extraordinary circumstances, any party or deponent seeking relief from this order, shall request a conference with the presiding judge. The deposition can be conducted by any other alternative means if all parties and the deponent stipulate to it. Nothing in this order shall prohibit an attorney from attending the deposition in the same room as their deponent/client if both consent.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

May 22, 2020

By the Court:

/s/ John J. McConnell Jr., Chief Judge