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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

In the matter of

CHARACTER LETTERS
IN SUPPORT OF SENTENCING

SUPERSEDES GENERAL ORDER 15-09


GENERAL ORDER 15-12

IT IS ORDERED no more than ten (10) character letters shall be submitted by defense counsel in criminal cases, unless otherwise ordered by the court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED original character letters must be submitted by defense counsel in paper form with the original to the U. S. Probation Office and copies to the sentencing judge and opposing counsel at least five (5) business days prior to the hearing. Character letters shall not be mailed directly to the sentencing judge by any family members or other persons writing in support of the defendant. Character letters or a notice of such shall not be filed electronically unless otherwise ordered by the court.

This General Order supersedes General Order 15-09.

DATED this 11th day of May, 2015.



Raner C. Collins
Chief United States District Judge