

**DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS  
CLERK'S OFFICE**



**Glenda L. Lake, Esquire  
Clerk of Court**

**[www.vid.uscourts.gov](http://www.vid.uscourts.gov)**

**PRESS RELEASE NO. 010-2021  
April 4, 2021**

**THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS ISSUES TWENTIETH ORDER  
CONCERNING OPERATIONS OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS  
VIDEO AND TELECONFERENCES FOR CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS**

The District Court of the Virgin Islands continues to monitor the outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). In so doing, the Honorable Wilma A. Lewis, Chief Judge, issued the Twentieth Order Concerning Operations of the District Court of the Virgin Islands Video and Teleconferences for Criminal Proceedings on Sunday, April 4, 2021.

On March 27, 2020, Congress passed and the President signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”) authorizing the use of video conferencing and teleconferencing under certain circumstances and with the consent of the defendant after consultation with counsel for various events in criminal cases during the course of the COVID-19 emergency.

The most recent order extends the Sixteenth Order Concerning Operations of the District Court of the Virgin Islands Video and Teleconferences for Criminal Proceedings, entered on January 4, 2021. It shall remain in effect for an additional 90 days from the April 4, 2021 Order, unless terminated earlier or extended.

**For more information, please contact:**

Glenda L. Lake, Esquire  
Clerk of Court  
District Court of the Virgin Islands  
5500 Veteran's Drive, Suite 310  
Charlotte Amalie, U.S. Virgin Islands 00802  
Phone: (340) 774-0640  
Fax: (340) 775-8075  
Email: [glenda\\_lake@vid.uscourts.gov](mailto:glenda_lake@vid.uscourts.gov)