

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT**

**ORDER OF THE CHIEF CIRCUIT JUDGE REGARDING THE OPERATIONS OF THE
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS IN THE ABSENCE OF AN
APPROPRIATION OR CONTINUING RESOLUTION ENACTED BY THE
UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT**

In the event that an appropriation or continuing resolution funding the operations of the United States Courts is not passed by the United States Congress and signed by the President by midnight February 8, 2018, then this Order shall take effect until superseded by such appropriation by such appropriation or continuing resolution.

1. The dispensing of justice is mandated by the Constitution and essential to government, and the resolution of cases and controversies is the only work and product of the federal courts. Accordingly, all employees of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the Second Circuit Judicial Council, and all of their ancillary units including, but not limited to the Clerk's Office, Office of Legal Affairs (Office of the Senior Staff Attorney and Conference Mediators), the Circuit Executive's Office and the Circuit Librarian's Office, are hereby deemed to be essential as part of or essential support for the exercise of judicial powers.

2. All employees of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the Second Circuit Judicial Council and all ancillary units are ordered to report to work for their regularly scheduled hours, and to continue all normal operations of the Court, except as set forth below.
3. Travel, except as approved by the Chief Circuit Judge, shall be avoided. All training activity shall be suspended.
4. No new personnel shall be hired and no new expenditures of funds shall be made without the consent of the Chief Judge.
5. The General Services Administration, the Federal Protective Service and the United States Marshals Service are requested to maintain all functions necessary for the continued safe use of all United States Courthouse facilities in the Second Circuit.

SO ORDERED:

s/s
Robert A. Katzmann, Chief Judge

Dated: February 8, 2018
New York, New York