

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

IN RE:  
SECTION 603(b),  
FIRST STEP ACT OF 2018  
(Dec. 21, 2018)

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MISC. NO. 00-308

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**STANDING ORDER 2019-04**

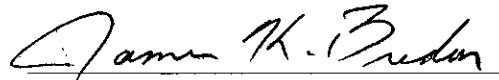
Pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act, Title 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(1) and (c), and the discretion of the Court, the Court hereby appoints the Office of the Federal Public Defender for the District of Maryland to represent any defendant previously determined to have been entitled to appointment of counsel or who is now indigent to determine whether the defendant is eligible to petition the Court for compassionate release in accordance with Section 603(b) of the First Step Act of 2018 and to file any motions for compassionate release.

The United States Probation Office for the District of Maryland and the United States District Court Clerk's Office for the District of Maryland are authorized to disclose Presentence Investigation Reports, Statements of Reasons, and Judgments to the Federal Public Defender's Office for the purpose of determining eligibility for compassionate release and preparing compassionate release petitions.

To enable the Federal Public Defender's Office to determine eligibility and prepare compassionate release petitions, the Court directs the United States to facilitate the process for the Office of the Federal Public Defender to obtain the most recent and relevant documents, including, but not limited to, the petitioner's progress report, sentence computation form, financial responsibility form, inmate education data, disciplinary data, inmate profile and medical records. To the extent necessary, the Office of the Federal Public Defender will assist such a petitioner in

executing a release form authorizing the Bureau of Prisons to disclose institutional records to the Office of the Federal Public Defender.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 27 day of March 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James K. Breder", written over a horizontal line.

James K. Breder, Chief Judge  
United States District Court