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Electronic Coverage of Judicial Proceedings

(Hagåtña, Guam) Please be advised that per the Judiciary of Guam's Rules Governing Electronic Coverage of Judicial Proceedings, all requests for electronic coverage must receive approval from the judge before media is allowed to film courtroom proceedings. In the specific case of CF0313-21, media did not receive signed approval for electronic coverage from Judge Tolentino until approximately 10:00 AM this morning. Further, per Rule 9(b), electronic coverage of jury selection is not permitted.

Due to limited capacity and our primary concern of safeguarding the privacy and safety of our jurors, media cannot be accommodated in the courtroom during **the jury selection process** for this case. This decision aligns with current regulations that govern courtroom proceedings, as judges have the discretion to make such decisions to maintain decorum and ensure a fair and impartial trial.

The Judiciary of Guam will establish contact with members of the media once a jury is selected and opening statements are scheduled to begin. We remain committed to working diligently to ensure that the media is provided with the necessary access and information to keep the public well-informed.

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support as we strive to uphold both transparency and fairness in our judicial proceedings.

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