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United States District Court  
Northern District of Ohio  
General Order

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 1999-49**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

TAKING OF UNCONDITIONAL  
GUILTY PLEAS BY MAGISTRATE  
JUDGES

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By resolution of the judges of this Court at the October 4, 1999 judges' meeting, the Court, pursuant to U.S.C. §636(b)(3) expressly approved the magistrate judges of this Court to preside over the tendering of an unconditional plea of guilty in felony cases in accordance with Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure upon referral by the district judge and written consent of the defendant, his/her counsel and counsel for the government.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

FOR THE COURT

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul R. Matia". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Paul R. Matia  
Chief Judge  
United States District Court