

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
FORT MYERS DIVISION

PB LEGACY, INC, a Texas
Corporation and TB FOODS
USA, LLC,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No: 2:17-cv-9-JES-NPM

AMERICAN MARICULTURE, INC.,
a Florida corporation,
AMERICAN PENAEID, INC., a
Florida corporation, and
ROBIN PEARL,

Defendants/Third
Party Plaintiff

KENNETH GERVAIS and
RANDALL AUNGST,

Third Party Defendants.

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on the plaintiff's Motion Per Local Rule 4.11(b)¹ for Permission for Designated Party to Enter With and Use Electronic Devices [sic] for Trial Commencing November 1, 2021 (Doc. #431) filed on October 29, 2021. Plaintiff seeks permission to bring certain electronic communication devices into the building for use at trial. More specifically, Plaintiff is requesting permission for Mr. Richard Guin to bring a laptop computer, tablet, and/or smart phone.

¹ The Court notes that there is no Local Rule 4.11 in the current Middle District of Florida Rules (2021).

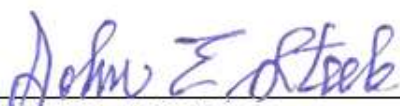
On October 1, 2013, a General Order (6:13-mc-94-Orl-22, Doc. #1) was issued regarding the possession and use of personal electronic devices in the Middle District of Florida courthouses. See In Re: Possession & Use of Pers. Elec. Devices in Fed. Courthouses in the M.D. Fla., 6:13-mc-94-Orl-22. The General Order allows counsel admitted to the Florida Bar or admitted *pro hac vice* to enter the Courthouse with personal electronic devices subject to the restrictions set forth in the General Order. See also M.D. Fla. R. 7.02(a). In addition to these devices, Plaintiff requests that Mr. Richard Guin, who will be providing technical support during the trial, be able to also bring a laptop, tablet and/or smart phone.

The Court grants plaintiff's request concerning Mr. Guin. Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED:

Plaintiff's Motion Per Local Rule 4.11(b) for Permission for Designated Party to Enter With and Use Electronic Devices [sic] for Trial Commencing November 1, 2021 (Doc. #431) is **GRANTED. Cellular telephones shall remain turned off while court is in session.**

DONE and ORDERED at Fort Myers, Florida, this 29th day
of October 2021.



JOHN E. STEELE
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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