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To Whom It May Concern:

The United States District Court for the Northern District of New York will be undergoing a transition from Skype for Business to Microsoft Teams during the fall of 2020. This transition is a result of the impending End of Life (EOL) date of July 31st, 2021 for the Skype for Business platform by Microsoft. In order to continue the practice of conducting remote proceedings and other matters with the Northern District of New York and local facilities, and attorneys, we are asking that you prepare for this upcoming change in platform. The Microsoft Teams platform is very similar to the Skype for Business platform in that it offers a free application for devices like iPads/iPhones/Androids and Tablets. It also offers free web connectivity over a browser via Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, or Mozilla Firefox. Please note that Internet Explorer or Safari are not compatible with Microsoft Teams. Full compatibility details can be found here <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoftteams/limits-specifications-teams#browsers>.

Below are links for free application downloads to Apple & Android devices:

Apple Store Microsoft Teams App

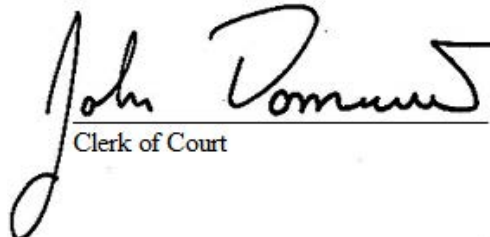
<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/microsoft-teams/id1113153706>

Android/Google Play Microsoft Teams App

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.microsoft.teams&hl=en_US

The Court's IT team will be available to answer any questions you may have or to run a test with Microsoft Teams prior to a scheduled proceeding with the Court. We appreciate your cooperation with this transition.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Daniel McAllister at (315) 234-8505.


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