

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DIST. OHIO  
EAST. DIV. COLUMBUS

In Re:

**FURTHER ORDER REGARDING** :  
**COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE** : **GENERAL ORDER NO. 21-20**  
**ONGOING EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES** :  
**CREATED BY COVID-19** :

In accordance with the recommendation of the Court's Ad Hoc Committee on Gating Criteria as approved by the Court's Pandemic Executive Team, and as further approved at a meeting of the Judicial Officers of this District on August 10, 2021, it is hereby ORDERED that General Order No. 21-14 be amended by striking:

- (6) All visitors to each of the above-referenced Courthouses (including but not limited to jurors or potential jurors, contractors, Naturalization petitioners, and attorneys) are required to wear facial coverings (i.e., face masks) to gain admittance to the Courthouse and must wear said facial coverings in the public common areas of the Courthouses, including restrooms and break rooms, unless they affirmatively represent to a Court Security Officer upon entering the building that they have been fully vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus, in which case they are exempt from requirement for facial coverings. Any persons exempted from the facial-covering requirement are also exempt from the social distancing requirements imposed by this General Order. At his or her discretion, a Judge presiding at any in-court proceeding may require facial coverings, including masks, and social distancing, during those proceedings.

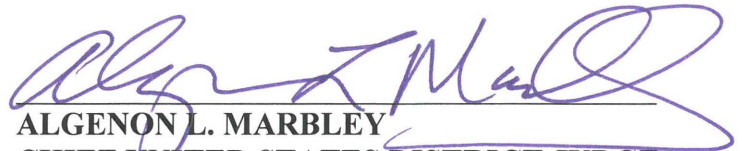
and inserting in lieu thereof:

- (6) All visitors to each of the three Courthouses in the Southern District of Ohio (including but not limited to jurors or potential jurors, contractors, Naturalization petitioners, and attorneys) and employees, irrespective of vaccination status, are required to wear facial coverings (i.e., face masks) to gain admittance to the Courthouse and must wear said facial coverings in the public common areas of the Courthouses, including but not limited to elevators, building entrances, and lobbies. At her or his discretion, a Judicial Officer presiding at any in-Court proceeding may require facial coverings, including masks, and social distancing, during those proceedings. Each Judicial Officer of this Court shall also have the discretion to require facial coverings in her/his respective chambers and courtrooms.

This Order shall remain in effect until further notice.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**DATED: August 12, 2021**

  
**ALGENON L. MARBLEY**  
**CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**