

**VIRGINIA:**  
**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LOUDOUN COUNTY**

**ORDER**

Effective May 18, 2021, any previous Order of this Court requiring the wearing of a face covering/mask over the mouth and nose for entry into the Loudoun County Courthouse is hereby rescinded to the extent such rescission is consistent with:

- 1) guidance for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC);
- 2) the requirements of the Amendment of the Twenty-First Order Extending Declaration of Judicial Emergency in Response to COVID-19 Emergency, entered by Chief Justice Donald W. Lemons on May 17, 2021;
- 3) the requirements of the Seventh Amended Executive Order Number Seventy-Two and Order of Public Emergency Health Emergency Nine, signed by Gov. Ralph S. Northam and M. Norman Oliver, State Health Commissioner, on May 14, 2021; and
- 4) the Memorandum dated May 16, 2021, from Loudoun County Administrator Tim Hemstreet regarding requirements for individuals who visit or work in Loudoun County facilities, which includes the Loudoun County Courthouse.

As of May 18, 2021, therefore:

- Face coverings/masks will no longer be required for fully vaccinated employees, users, and visitors to the Loudoun County Courthouse. Anyone who is not yet fully vaccinated against COVID-19 is strongly encouraged to wear a mask/face covering over the mouth in all settings.


- Any employee, user, or visitor to the Loudoun County Courthouse may wear a mask if the individual chooses to do so.
- All social distancing requirements and capacity limits based on social distancing requirements remain in effect.
- Existing signage that contains the mask/face covering requirement and other requirements (e.g. social distancing, exclusion for COVID diagnosis, symptoms, or exposure) will remain in place and be enforced except for the mask/face covering requirement.
- Court security personnel shall continue to screen individuals entering the Courthouse, consistent with previous Orders of the Supreme Court of Virginia and of this Court, as recommended by the Virginia Department of Health, to exclude from entry individuals diagnosed with, symptomatic of or exposed to COVID-19.
- **\*\*\*EXCEPTION\*\*\***: The mask/face covering requirements for attendance at and participation in **any jury trial**, to include jury assembly and jury selection, as provided in the Loudoun County Circuit Court Plan for the Resumption of Jury Trials, approved by the Supreme Court of Virginia on October 15, 2020, **remain in place** unless modified by the Chief Judge or the presiding trial Judge upon determination that any modification is safe and consistent with the recommendations of the CDC, Seventh Amended Executive Order Number Seventy-Two and Order of Public Emergency Health Emergency Nine, and the Virginia Department of Health.

Any provision of a previous Order of this Court not modified or rescinded by this Order remains in full force and effect. This Order shall remain in effect until further Order of the Court.

This Order is subject to amendment, clarification, and refinement as such may become necessary to articulate the intention that all requirements of the Governor of Virginia, the Supreme Court of Virginia, this Court, and Loudoun County Administration are enforced.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

ENTERED this 18 day of May, 2021.

  
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Stephen E. Sincavage, Judge,  
on behalf of  
Douglas L. Fleming, Jr.,  
Chief Judge