

**VIRGINIA:**

**IN THE LOUDOUN COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
IN THE LOUDOUN COUNTY GENERAL DISTRICT COURT  
IN THE LOUDOUN COUNTY JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS  
DISTRICT COURT**

**IN RE: ALL PERSONS ENTERING  
LOUDOUN COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
DURING THE JUDICIAL EMERGENCY**

**ORDER FOR MITIGATING THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**

IT APPEARING to the Court that the Supreme Court of Virginia, by its most recent Twenty-Sixth Order Extending Declaration of Judicial Emergency In Response to Covid-19 Emergency, authorized chief judges and judges to exercise their discretion in determining how best to safely operate their respective courts, including following the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Virginia Department of Health regarding safety protocols for physical distancing, capacity restrictions and face coverings, it is

ORDERED, effective immediately, that all persons, regardless of vaccination status, entering the Loudoun County Courthouse ("Courthouse") must wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth. The requirement for face coverings includes judges, attorneys, sheriff's office personnel, clerk's office personnel, court reporters, court employees, members of the public, contractors, and all other persons who work in or visit the Courthouse.

The face covering must be worn at all times within the public areas of the courthouse, including hallways, conference rooms, elevators, public corridors and employee corridors, and any other shared spaces.

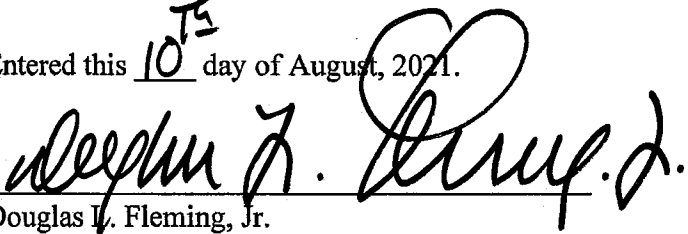
Employees may remove their face coverings in their work area if they have a separate dedicated office space with a door that can be closed. For employees who do not have a separate dedicated office space with a door that can be closed, they may remove their face coverings in their work area with the permission of their supervisor provided that, if another person approaches the employee in their work area, face coverings must be worn.

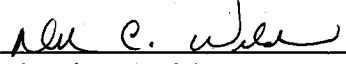
Face coverings must be worn in all courtrooms unless the presiding judge authorizes removal of a face covering(s). If a judge authorizes removal of a face overing(s) social distancing is strongly encouraged.

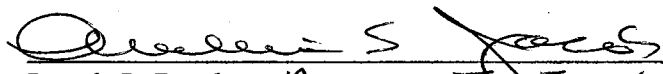
Physical distancing and, if necessary, capacity restrictions will be resumed in all public areas of the Courthouse. Physical distancing is strongly encouraged in each courtroom but the ultimate decision regarding safety protocols will be left to the presiding judge.

Security personnel shall continue to screen all persons entering the Courthouse for Covid-19 symptoms and/or exposure as recommended by the Center for Disease Control and the Virginia Department of Health.

Entered this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.

  
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20<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit of Virginia

  
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