

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN RE:)	
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Restrictions on Visitors to Courthouses)	AMENDED STANDING ORDER
due to Coronavirus (COVID-19).)	Misc No.
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AMENDED STANDING ORDER

Due to the continuing and evolving COVID-19 national public health emergency, the Court finds it necessary and appropriate to amend its March 13, 2020 Standing Order (*see* Misc. No 3:20-mc-00101-RBH) to revise certain travel restrictions. This Order applies only to those entering on federal district and bankruptcy court business. The United States District Court for the District of South Carolina continues to closely monitor directives and executive orders issued by the President of the United States and the Governor of South Carolina, as well as guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and our local health authorities regarding the Covid-19 outbreak. The CDC having advised people to take precautions in light of the COVID-19 outbreak, and noting that the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus, it is hereby

ORDERED, effective immediately, that the following persons shall not enter any federal courthouse in the District of South Carolina:

1. Persons who have traveled internationally within the past 14 days;
2. Persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital, or health agency;
3. Persons who have been diagnosed with, or in the past 14 days have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19;
4. Persons displaying any symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever, cough, shortness of breath, nasal congestion, loss of taste or smell, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea.

ORDERED that the United States Marshal, his Deputies, and the Court Security Officers shall deny entry to anyone attempting to enter in violation of this Order, and it is further

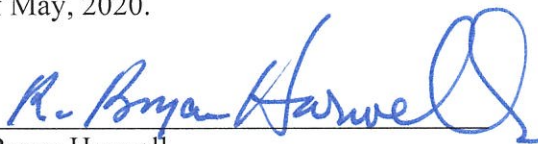
ORDERED that if you have a scheduled appointment or you are otherwise required to appear at one of the courthouses in the District of South Carolina, and you are unable to appear because of the restrictions

listed above, you should proceed as follows:

1. If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney;
2. If you are an attorney and you are scheduled to appear in court before a judge, please contact the chambers directly (contact information may be found on the court's website at www.scd.uscourts.gov);
3. If you are a juror, please contact the Jury Department at 803-253-3997;
4. For District Court matters, please contact the District Clerk's Office at the following locations: Columbia 803-765-5816; Charleston 843-579-1401; Florence 843-676-3820; Greenville 864-241-2700;
5. For Bankruptcy Court matters, please consult www.scb.uscourts.gov or contact the Bankruptcy Clerk's Office at 803-765-5436 for further instruction. The Bankruptcy Court is authorized to issue whatever additional orders or directives necessary to perform its statutory duties, including but not limited to allowing the filing of bankruptcy petitions and papers;
6. If you are scheduled to meet with a Probation Officer, please contact the Office of Probation and Pretrial Services at the following locations: Columbia 803-253-3310; Charleston 843-579-1500; Florence 843-676-3825; Greenville 864-239-6100; Port Royal 843-489-3163; Spartanburg 864-381-6218.

These restrictions will remain in place temporarily until it is determined that it is safe to remove them. People who think they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their healthcare provider immediately.

ORDERED by the Court this 19 day of May, 2020.


R. Bryan Harwell
Chief United States District Judge