

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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

Due to the evolving COVID-19 national public health emergency and the availability of a vaccine, the Court finds it necessary and appropriate to further amend its January 20, 2022 Third Amended Standing Order (*see* Misc. No 3:22-mc-00041-RBH). 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 guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and our local health authorities regarding the Covid-19 outbreak and bases this Order on that guidance and in consultation with Dr. Christine Carr of the Medical University of South Carolina.

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

1. Anyone, fully vaccinated, who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the previous five days.
2. Anyone not fully vaccinated who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the previous ten days.
3. Anyone who has had close contact with someone with COVID-19 within the previous ten days and (a) is unvaccinated, or (b) completed the primary series of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine more than six months ago and is not boosted, or (c) completed the Johnson & Johnson vaccine more than two months ago and is not boosted.
4. Anyone who is currently under a directive from a healthcare provider or state or local health authority to self-quarantine.
5. Anyone with any current symptom of COVID-19 identified by the CDC, including fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestions or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.

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:

If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney;

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);

If you are a juror, please contact the Jury Department at 803-253-3997;


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;

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;

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.

ORDERED by the Court this 18th day of March, 2022.


R. Bryan Harwell
Chief United States District Judge