

Virginia:

In the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond, John Marshall Courts Building

ORDER

Pursuant to the guidance set out in the Order of May 17, 2021 from the Virginia Supreme Court (*see* “In Re: Amendment of Twenty-First Order Extending Declaration of Judicial Emergency in Response to COVID-19 Emergency”), it is hereby **ORDERED** as follows:

- A. In regard to entry into the John Marshall Courthouse, entrants (including employees, litigants, attorneys, and all others present in the courthouse) are to be verbally screened as to (1) whether they have been exposed to anyone who was positive for COVID-19 within the prior fourteen days, or (2) whether they have had symptoms of or tested positive for COVID-19 within the prior fourteen days, and if so, then they are to be denied entry, whether vaccinated or not. If no exposure to COVID-19 or symptoms or positive test within the prior fourteen days is reported, as set out above, then all fully vaccinated persons are free to enter and be within the courthouse without masks, but all unvaccinated persons must remain masked at all times within the courthouse building.
- B. In regard to jury trials, all protocols shall remain in place as set out in this Court’s approved Jury Trial Plan of August 5, 2020. That plan requires jurors, litigants, and court personnel to remain masked during the jury trials. The Court will reconsider the continuation of restrictions in jury trials over the next thirty days.
- C. As to all non-jury matters, everyone who has been fully vaccinated may be without a mask; Everyone who is not fully vaccinated must remain masked at all times.

These directives are issued in accordance with the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Governor’s Executive Order(s), and the Virginia Department of Health, and as authorized by the Virginia Supreme Court. It is so **ORDERED**.

ENTER: 5/18/21



W. Reilly Marchant, Chief Judge