IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF

COVID-19 MASK REQUIREMENT

ORDER

Public Administrative Order

No. 20-AO-16-P

The court has imposed a requirement that appropriate face masks be worn at all times in the common areas of the United States Courthouses in Council Bluffs, Des Moines and Davenport, including the Des Moines annex. The common areas of the courthouse include all areas generally available to the public, including the courtrooms. While in the courtrooms, the presiding judge shall have the ability to modify the mask requirement to suit the needs for appropriate communication.

The United States Marshal and Court Security Officers shall require that any person entering the courthouse wear a mask. The court will provide masks for those who do not have one. Any person refusing to wear a mask shall not be admitted to the courthouse. Persons observed within the common areas of the courthouse without properly wearing a mask so as to cover both the individual's nose and mouth shall be warned once that their mask must appropriately cover their face. The Marshal and the Court Security Officers shall escort any individual engaging in a second violation of this order out of the courthouse for the remainder of that day.

Children under the age of two years are not required by this order to wear a mask. Any request for deviation from this order for medical reasons shall be referred to a judicial officer, preferably the presiding judicial officer if the visitor is attending a hearing.

DATED this 21st day of July, 2020.

JOHN A. JARVEY, Chief Judge UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA