

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
GENERAL ORDER 19-0013**

The full Court met in executive session on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 and approved an amendment to Local Rule 83.1 Court Facilities – Limitations on Use. The proposed amendment was published with comments due on January 4, 2019. No comments were received from the Public or the Rules Advisory Committee.

The Court's Rules Committee considered the rule at its meeting on March 14, 2019. It recommended that the full Court adopt the amendment to Local Rule 83.1 as proposed, with minor edits by the Rules Committee.

The full Court considered the recommendation of the Rules Committee at its meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 and agreed to modify Local Rule 83.1. Therefore,

By direction of the full Court, which met in executive session on Wednesday, March 20, 2019,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Local Rule 83.1, Court Facilities – Limitations on Use, be amended as attached (additions shown thus, deletions shown ~~thus~~).

ENTER:  
FOR THE COURT

  
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Acting Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2019.

LR83.1. Court Facilities: Limitations on Use  
Local Rule

**(a) Court Environs Defined.** For the purpose of this rule the term "court environs" shall refer to the following areas:

(1) in Chicago in the United States Courthouse:

(A) the 6th through the 8th floors, and the 10th through the 25th floors, ~~includ~~ing;

~~(B) the offices of the Pretrial Services Department of this Court on the 15th floor, and the public corridors immediately adjacent to those offices;~~

~~(CB) the central jury assembly lounge, south elevator banks, and corridors leading from one to the other on the 2nd floor; and,~~

~~(DC) the lobby and immediate areas surrounding the elevators on the 1st floor; the 1<sup>st</sup> floor except for the Designated Media Area;~~

(2) in Chicago, but not in the United States Courthouse, the ~~offices of the Probation~~Probation Offices ~~Department of this Court~~ located at 230 S. Dearborn Street;

(3) in the Eastern Division, but not in Chicago, the immediate area surrounding the courtroom on the 2nd floor of the Federal Building and Courthouse at JolietJoliet City Hall; and,

(4) in Rockford in the United States Courthouse:

(A) the entire 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> floors;

(B) the lobby and 1<sup>st</sup> floor areas to include the Bankruptcy Court clerk's office, the offices of Probation and Pretrial Services, and the public corridors immediately adjacent to those offices;

~~(C) the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor jury assembly room, grand jury room, District Court clerk's office, and the public corridors immediately adjacent to those offices;~~

~~(DC) the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Bankruptcy Court courtrooms~~courtrooms, the mediation rooms, the 4<sup>th</sup> floor ~~Bankruptcy Court~~ chambers, and the corridors immediately adjacent to those spaces.

**(b) Demonstrating, Soliciting & Loitering Prohibited.** Soliciting and loitering within the court environs is prohibited. The unapproved congregating of groups or the causing of a disturbance or nuisance within or on the curtilage of the courthouses of this Court is prohibited. Demonstrating, protesting, Picketing or parading outside of the courthouses of this Court is prohibited only when such picketing or paradingaction obstructs or impedes the orderly administration of justice.

(1) In Chicago, the designated Freedom of Speech and Expression area is the Federal Plaza, located at the north-west corner of Adams and Dearborn Streets. The General Services Administration maintains this area and may require special permitting.

(2) In Rockford, the designated Freedom of Speech and Expression area is public space located at the corner of South Church and Cedar Streets. The General Services Administration maintains this area and may require special permitting.

**(c) No Cameras or Recorders.** Except as provided for ~~in section (e) below~~ in an Order of the Court, direction of the Chief Judge, or the United States Marshal, the taking of photographs, video, radio and television broadcasting, or taping in the court environs during the progress of or in connection with any judicial proceedings ~~including proceedings before a United States magistrate judge judge of the district or bankruptcy court~~, whether or not court is actually in session, is prohibited.

**(d) Marshal to Enforce.** The United States ~~marshal~~ Marshal and the Custodian of the courthouses shall enforce sections (b) and (c) of this rule, either by ejecting violators from the courthouse or by causing them to appear before one of the judges of this Court for a hearing and the imposition of such punishment as the Court may deem proper.

Amended 5/27/16 Amended 5/27/16 and 03/22/19