

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS 219 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604

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November 17, 2022

Dear Friends:

Two individuals who were in the Dirksen Courthouse recently have tested positive for COVID-19. One was here most recently on November 15, on the 24th floor, and the other was here yesterday, November 16, 2022, on the 5th floor. Persons who had contact have been notified.

As the holidays approach and activity in the Courthouse increases, we need to continue exercising caution. You may well want to wear masks in public settings, and you certainly should get your flu shot and a COVID-19 vaccine booster, if you have not done so already. Even with the variants, the vaccines protect against the most severe forms of the illness. As always, please continue to wash your hands, stay home if you have any symptoms, and consider testing for COVID-19 before you have contact with vulnerable people.

Again, thanks to all of you for your work in this court and your efforts to protect yourselves and others. Those efforts reflect well on the court.

Yours truly,

Rebecca R. Pallmeyer

Chief District Judge

Chair, Dirksen Courthouse Building Security

Committee