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

CHAMBERS OF REBECCA R PALLMEYER CHIEF JUDGE 312-435-5600

March 4, 2021

Dear Dirksen Courthouse Occupants:

This evening, I have learned of an employee/contractor in Dirksen Courthouse who has tested positive for COVID-19. This individual was in the Courthouse on Monday, March 1, 2021, Tuesday March 2, 2021, and today. On Monday and Tuesday, this individual worked on the 16<sup>th</sup> floor and on Thursday, March 4, 2021, the employee/contractor worked on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> floors.

We understand this individual wore their face covering and maintained appropriate distancing while in the Courthouse. Individuals who had direct contact with this contractor/employee will be notified, and the General Services Administration have been notified to clean the impacted areas.

You should continue to monitor yourselves for symptoms associated with COVID-19, contact your healthcare provider with any questions about symptoms or specific questions, and of course: Stay at least six feet from others. Wash your hands often. Wear a mask over your nose and mouth, here in the Courthouse and in all social interactions. Please be vigilant about taking your Covid tests for the SHIELD testing program.

I appreciate the efforts each of you are taking to keep us safe.

Yours truly,

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Rebecca R. Pallmeyer Chief Judge Chair, Dirksen Courthouse Building Security Committee