## 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

November 17, 2021

## Dear Dirksen Courthouse:

An employee/contractor who was last in the Dirksen Courthouse yesterday, November 16, 2021, has COVID-19. This individual was on the 26th floor of the Courthouse, and no other floors; wore a face covering; and maintained appropriate distancing while in the Courthouse. Individuals who had direct contact with this person have been notified, and the General Services Administration will clean the impacted areas.

I know these letters from me are unwelcome reminders that COVID-19 is not yet behind us. I hope the letters are also reminders that all of us have a responsibility here, to continue adhering to protective measures: masks, social distancing and handwashing.

Again, please do continue to exercise care, and please take steps to ensure that you and your family members are vaccinated.

Yours truly,

Rebecca R. Pallmeyer

Chief Judge

Chair, Dirksen Courthouse Building Security Committee

abecca Halfweye