

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS 219 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604

312-435-6860

March 25, 2019

GUIDELINES FOR PROCEEDINGS 19 CR 50016 United States of America v. Floyd E. Brown

The following procedures will apply in connection with the scheduled hearing in *United States of America*. *v*. *Floyd E. Brown*, scheduled to commence at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 28, 2019, in Courtroom 5100 at the Stanley J. Roszkowski United States Courthouse located at 327 S. Church Street, Rockford, Illinois.

- The Courthouse will open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 5:30 p.m.
- •The U.S. Marshals Service will be in charge of providing security and may limit seating or access as necessary to ensure the safety of all present. Seating may be reserved to ensure access to the public, media and case participants.
- All cell phones, laptops, and other electronic devices must be turned to silent while in courtroom 5100.
- One row of the gallery will be reserved for the media. Each organization is allowed only one seat in this row and must be present at 2:40 p.m. in the hallway outside the courtroom.
- Sketch artists will be provided a seat and must be present at 2:40 p.m. in the hallway outside the courtroom.
- All other media and public will line up in the public corridor outside courtroom 5100. Seating will be provided accordingly. Once all seats are occupied, the courtroom will be closed and those without seats will be directed to the overflow courtroom, 5300.
- Courtroom 5300 will be an audio and video overflow courtroom. The media may use laptops and cell phones, tablets, etc. to work on their stories in courtroom 5300, but may not record, stream, or photograph while in the courtroom pursuant to Local Rule 83.1.
- Photographing and video or audio recording or transmission of any court proceeding, including in an overflow courtroom, is prohibited.
- No beverages or food (other than water at counsel table) are allowed in the courtroom.
- No conversations or disruptive gestures are permitted in the courtroom.
- No interviews or interview requests are permitted on the 5th floor or any other floor of the Stanley J. Roszkowski U.S. Courthouse other than in the lobby, pursuant to August 23, 2018, <u>Joint Courthouse</u> Security Order.

- Interviews may occur only in the media area of the lobby. Filming of any security equipment or uniformed security personnel is strictly prohibited.
- Media personnel will have lobby access until 5:30 p.m.
- The recording, streaming, or use of cameras is not allowed in the Courthouse, except in the media area in the lobby. Cameras, photography and recording are prohibited in all areas of the Courthouse except in the media area of the lobby.
- The U.S. Marshals Service can restrict the entrance to the media area in the lobby should there arise a life safety concern with occupancy.
- The media is reminded that public safety must be considered, and any action that may cause an unsafe environment will be addressed by the U.S. Marshals Service. No member of the public or the media can block an entrance or exit to the Courthouse.
- Failure to comply with these rules will result in removal from the courtroom. Any violation of a court order will be addressed.

Contact: Additional information, regulations, and prohibitions are on the court's website, www.ilnd.uscourts.gov, and posted in the Courthouse. If you have any questions regarding the guidelines, please contact Thomas G. Bruton at (815) 987-4354.