



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

**CHAMBERS OF
REBECCA R. PALLMEYER**

312-435-5600

March 21, 2022

Dear Courthouse Occupants:

Two employee/contractors have tested positive for COVID-19. Both individuals were last in the Dirksen Courthouse on Thursday, March 17, 2022.

The first individual was on the 2nd, 10th, and 20th floors. The second individual was on the 27th floor. We understand the individuals adhered to the masking and social distance requirements. Persons who had contact with them have been notified, and GSA has taken steps to clean the relevant spaces.

As you know, the COVID-19 numbers in Illinois are headed in the right direction. We will still have persons testing positive in our building, but we are making progress. Please do get a booster if you have not already done so. And if anyone reading this letter has not yet been vaccinated—you know what I am about to say. Vaccines are by all measure the best and most important weapon against COVID-19 in all its forms. I know you will also continue to adhere to the other protocols, including masks, social distance, and hand-washing. Remember to stay home if you feel sick, let us know if you do test positive, and if you do, stay away for five full days or until you are better.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca R. Pallmeyer", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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