



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

**CHAMBERS OF
REBECCA R. PALLMEYER**

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May 24, 2022

Dear Courthouse Occupants:

An individual who last in the Dirksen Courthouse on May 20, 2022 has tested positive for COVID-19. This individual was on the 3rd, 4th, and 22nd floors and was masked when in contact with other persons. Those who had contact with this individual have been notified, as has GSA. GSA will clean the relevant spaces.

Remember that the testing facility in the lobby is open to the public and to all of us. Get down there and get a test! My (almost) daily letters may give you the impression that we are not keeping COVID away – but in fact, we are doing quite well in our efforts to control the spread. Some of the people who test positive do so without any symptoms. When this happens, we are able to keep them from infecting others. In short, testing is a key part of the plan. And of course we haven't forgotten about masks, social distance, handwashing, and especially vaccines and boosters.

This is not a sprint; it's a marathon. But we will get to the finish line.

Yours truly,

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