



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

**CHAMBERS OF  
REBECCA R. PALLMEYER**

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January 5, 2022

Dear Court Family:

Two individuals who were recently in the Dirksen Courthouse and the John C. Kluczynski Federal Building have tested positive for COVID-19:

One individual was in the Courthouse for the first time in more than a week yesterday and tested positive for COVID. This person was on the second floor, the 15<sup>th</sup> floor, and the 20<sup>th</sup> floor.

A second person was on the 34<sup>th</sup> floor of the John C. Kluczynski Federal Building yesterday, and tested positive this morning.

Persons who had contact with these individuals have been notified, and GSA will perform the necessary cleaning.

I know these letters are not welcome news to you, but I also know it is my responsibility to keep you informed, and to continue to remind you of what we all know: that vaccinations prevent severe disease in nearly everyone, but all of us need to continue our protective measures: masks, handwashing, maintaining social distance. I know it's difficult to find tests these days, but please do make an effort to test yourself if you have symptoms, and to test yourself and others before any social gathering. I hope and believe we are coming to the end of this, but I don't make promises. Thank you for all you are doing for the system of justice and the people of this District.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca R. Pallmeyer".

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

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