

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

October 26, 2020

Dear Dirksen Courthouse Occupants:

Since last night, I have learned about three additional persons who have been in our Dirksen Courthouse recently and have tested positive for COVID-19. The first, an employee who works on the 24th floor and was last here October 24, 2020, received a positive test result last night. A second employee who works on the 6th floor and was last here on October 23 also received a positive test result last night. A third individual was last in the Courthouse on the second floor, on Wednesday, October 21, 2020. That person received a positive test on Saturday.

We have confirmed that all three of these individuals wore face coverings during their time in the Courthouse, and the General Services Administration has made arrangements for appropriate cleaning of the affected locations. You are again reminded to monitor yourselves for symptoms of the virus and to contact your healthcare provider with any questions about symptoms or specific questions about your health.

Three positive tests in our Courthouse in a single day suggests a trend in the wrong direction. I will continue to monitor the conditions in the community and the health of our staff. If needed, we will adjust our plans. Please remember that this is a serious virus and that persons without any symptoms may be contagious. We must therefore continue to maintain physical distancing efforts, wash our hands often, and wear a mask over nose and mouth, here in the Courthouse and in all social interactions. Thank you for your efforts.

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 Judge
Chair, Dirksen Courthouse Building Security Committee