

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

November 6, 2020

Dear Dirksen Courthouse Occupants:

I learned late yesterday evening that a visitor who was last in the Dirksen Courthouse on Friday, October 30, 2020 tested positive for COVID-19. Based on our brief investigation, we believe the individual wore a face covering for the entire time the individual was in the building and visited the third floor of the Courthouse. We have again notified the General Administrative Services and will ensure that the areas visited will be properly cleaned using appropriate protocols.

As I have explained previously, please continue to monitor yourselves for symptoms associated with COVID-19, and do contact your healthcare provider with any questions about symptoms or specific questions about your health.

The weather this weekend is forecasted to be warm and sunny. This looks like a good weekend to see friends and family--but let me suggest that we do this outdoors, at a distance! Please be mindful that our activities away from the Courthouse have a direct impact on our safety, and that of others, who work here. We have a responsibility, to do our best to stay healthy ourselves and thereby protected each other. Please continue to maintain physical distancing, efforts, wash hands often, and wear a mask over nose and mouth, here in the Courthouse and in all social interactions.

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