

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

December 14, 2020

Dear Dirksen Courthouse and Roszkowski Courthouse Occupants:

I want to thank you for doing your best to work productively while remaining away from the building whenever possible. Those efforts should reduce the number of times that I will be notifying you about persons who have tested positive for COVID-19. We are not yet in a safe zone, however. As of this afternoon, I have learned of four employees have recently tested positive:

- an employee who works on the 15th floor of the Dirksen Courthouse and was last in the Courthouse on Monday, December 7, 2020, and an employee who works on the 2nd floor of the Roszkowski Courthouse and was last there on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. These two employees were together on Monday, December 7, 2020. The employees visited the following floors: 10th, 15th and 25th floors. On Tuesday, the employee visited several areas in the Roszkowski Courthouse on the following floors: 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th floors.
- an employee who works on the 4th floor of the Dirksen Courthouse and was last in the Courthouse on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. This employee was also on the 16th floor of the Courthouse on Thursday, December 10, 2020.
- an employee who works on the 5th floor of the Courthouse and was last in the Courthouse, as recently as today.

We believe these employees wore a face covering the entire time they were in the building. Individuals who had direct contact with these employees have been notified. We have again notified the General Services Administration and requested that they clean the areas using appropriate protocols.

This pandemic will not be with us forever. The vaccine news has been very encouraging for many of us. Until COVID-19 is under control, however, please do not let down your guard: Please continue to maintain physical distancing efforts, wash your hands often, and wear a mask over nose and mouth, here in the Courthouse and in all social interactions.

Yours truly,



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