

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
22-JP-3-M

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IN RE:)
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HIGH-ATTENDANCE PROCEEDINGS AT) ORDER
THE WILMINGTON COURTHOUSE)
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In the interests of safety and efficiency, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following parameters shall be obeyed with respect to any high-attendance proceeding at the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, 1003 17th Street, Wilmington, North Carolina.

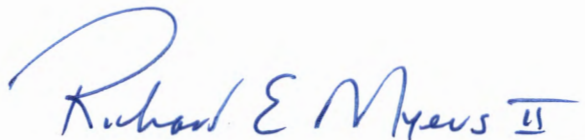
- (1) All persons wishing to enter the federal courthouse at 1003 17th Street, Wilmington, NC (“courthouse”) must present a valid photo identification to the Court Security Officer stationed at the courthouse entrance. Failure to do so will result in denial of entry into the courthouse.
- (2) All participants and spectators allowed into the courtroom must be seated no later than fifteen minutes prior to the start of the proceeding and must remain seated in the courtroom following the conclusion of the proceeding until court is recessed by the court or by the United States Marshal.
- (3) Seating within the courtroom during a high-attendance proceeding will be limited to the physical unreserved seats in the pews in the courtroom. All spectators and participants are directed to take notice of the pews/seats specifically reserved for designated persons. No person will be allowed to stand or sit in the aisles or in the rear of the courtroom while the proceeding is in progress.
- (4) The United States Marshal shall exercise his discretion in managing the number of spectators allowed in the courtroom during the proceeding.
- (5) Entry into, exit from, and movement within the courtroom during the proceeding will be restricted to the announced recesses, with the exception of court personnel, attorneys and witnesses. A spectator or participant needing to exit the courtroom during the proceeding may do so but may not re-enter the courtroom until the next regularly scheduled recess.

- (6) No person other than the attorneys, defendants, witnesses and other court personnel may be present in front of the bar in the courtroom during the proceeding.
- (7) No person shall be permitted to remain in the lobby outside of the courtroom or in the hallways of the courthouse while the proceeding is in progress. Such persons not admitted to the courtroom must wait outside of the courthouse while the proceeding is in progress.
- (8) During the course of the proceeding, the court may impose any other order or condition it deems necessary to provide for the safety of the spectators, participants, and witnesses and to ensure the fair and efficient administration of justice.

These parameters shall be binding on all participants and spectators and shall be obeyed until the conclusion of the hearing. All conditions herein shall be enforced by the United States Marshal. Any person who violates any condition set forth above may be subject to criminal contempt of court.

A copy of this Order shall be distributed to each high-attendance proceeding participant and spectator upon entry into the courthouse. In addition, when appropriate, a copy of this Order shall be POSTED by the Clerk of Court outside all courtrooms, at all security posts manned by Court Security Officers, and on the Eastern District of North Carolina internet website.

SO ORDERED this 26th day of October, 2022.



RICHARD E. MYERS II
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE