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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

In Re:

Richland Courthouse Operations Under  
the Exigent Circumstances Created By  
COVID -19 – Courthouse Mask  
Protocol

**RICHLAND COURTHOUSE AND  
FEDERAL BUILDING ORDER**

**ORDER NO. 21-01**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the public safety measures established through Facility Security Committee, FSC Order No. 20-01 and Richland COOP Courthouse and Federal Building Order Nos. 20-01 through 20-09 are AMENDED as follows:

1. Individuals who are fully vaccinated may enter the United States Federal Building and Courthouse, Richland, Washington and will not be required to wear a mask, nor will they be required to practice social distancing while in the courthouse.
2. For purposes of this Order, individuals who have received both doses of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines, or have received the single dose of the

1 Johnson and Johnson vaccine will be deemed **fully vaccinated** if fourteen  
2 days have passed since receipt of the final dosage of that vaccination.

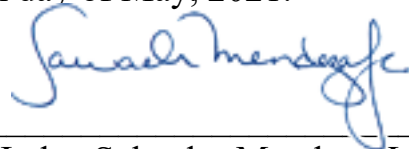
3 3. Individuals who are not deemed fully vaccinated pursuant to the  
4 definition in Paragraph #2 of this Order may enter the United States  
5 Courthouse, Richland, Washington but will be required to wear a mask  
6 and practice social distancing throughout the duration of their visit to the  
7 courthouse.

8 4. Mask requirements may be more stringent for in-court proceedings,  
9 subject to the presiding judge's discretion.

10 5. This Order applies to general/public spaces in the United States  
11 Federal Building and Courthouse in Richland, Washington and  
12 throughout the courthouse proper, **but is not intended to dictate agency**  
13 **specific policy within the federal building.**

14 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the District Court Executive is  
15 directed to post this Order to the Court's website and to distribute a copy to each  
16 attorney registered in the CM/ECF system.

17 Dated this 19th day of May, 2021.

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20 District Judge Salvador Mendoza Jr.  
(Resident Active Article III Judge and Designated  
Official for the Richland Federal Building and  
Courthouse)