

May 21, 2020

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3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
4 EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

5 In Re:

6 Preventative Measures Policy During
7 the Exigent Circumstances Created by
8 the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

**YAKIMA ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER NO. 20-04**

**ORDER REQUIRING FACE
COVERINGS/MASKS AND
SOCIAL DISTANCING IN THE
WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS
FEDERAL BUILDING**

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10 WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other public
11 health authorities have advised taking precautions to slow the spread of COVID-
12 19, including the use of face coverings or masks (hereafter “masks”) in public
13 settings, and in consultation with the Facility Security Committee for the William
14 O. Douglas Federal Building, it is hereby:

15 1. **ORDERED** that effective immediately, all persons seeking entry to, or
16 occupying, the William O. Douglas Federal Building in Yakima, Washington must
17 wear a mask. The mask, when worn, must completely conceal the wearer’s nose
18 and mouth at all times.

1 2. **ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court may provide masks for visitors
2 required to attend court hearings, but all other visitors are to provide their own
3 masks.

4 3. **ORDERED** that court employees working in a private office or
5 workspace, which permits at least six feet of physical distance from other persons,
6 are excepted from the requirement to wear a mask while in that private workspace.
7 Masks shall be worn by court employees in all general office or public areas in
8 which physical distancing is not achievable.

9 4. **ORDERED** that the United States Marshal, his Deputies, and the Court
10 Security Officers shall enforce this Order by denying entry to those individuals not
11 wearing a mask and removing individuals who gain entry to the courthouse then
12 remove their masks in violation of this Order.

13 5. **ORDERED** that social distancing measures will be enforced to the
14 greatest extent practicable in all public areas of the William O. Douglas Federal
15 Building. These measures will result in a reduced spectator capacity in each of the
16 facility's courtrooms; and it is further

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5. **ORDERED** that the District Court Executive is directed to post this General Order to the Court’s website and to distribute a copy to each attorney registered in the CM/ECF system.

Dated this 21st day of May 2020.



District Judge Stanley A. Bastian.
(Resident Active Article III Judge and Designated Official for the William O. Douglas Federal Building)