IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

IN RE: Restrictions on Visitors to)
Courthouse)
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The Centers for Disease Control has advised people to take precautions in light of the COVID-19 virus outbreak and has noted that the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.

Therefore, effective immediately, the following persons shall not enter any courthouse in the Middle District of Alabama:

• Persons who have travelled to any of the following countries within the last 14 days:

CHINA SOUTH KOREA JAPAN ITALY IRAN

(This list may be updated as further guidance is received.)

- Persons who reside or have had close contact with someone who has travelled to one of the countries listed above within the last 14 days;
- Persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital or health agency;
- Persons who have been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19;
- Persons with unexplained fever, cough or shortness of breath.

Anyone attempting to enter in violation of these protocols will be denied entry by a Court Security Officer.

If you have a scheduled appointment or you are otherwise required to appear at one of the courthouses in the Middle District of Alabama, and you are unable to appear because of the restrictions listed above, you should proceed as follows:

- If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney;
- If you are an attorney and you are scheduled to appear in court before a judge, please contact that chambers directly (or contact the Clerk's Office (334) 954-3600 or refer to the Court's website www.almd.uscourts.gov, for chambers contact information);
- If you are scheduled to meet with a Probation or Pretrial Services officer, please contact the Probation office at (334) 954-3226;
- If you are a juror, please contact the Jury Administrator at (334) 954-3950;
- For Bankruptcy Court matters, please contact Bankruptcy Clerk's Office at (334) 954-3800;
- For District Court matters, please contact the Clerk of Court at (334) 954-3600;

These restrictions will remain in place temporarily until it is determined to be safe to remove them.

People who think they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their healthcare provider immediately.

DONE this the 11th day of March, 2020.

______/s/ Emily C. Marks
EMILY C. MARKS
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

If you have traveled to any of the following countries within the last 14 days:

ITALY IRAN SOUTH KOREA CHINA

Or if you reside or have had close contact with someone who has traveled to one of the above areas within the last 14 days

Or if you've been asked to self-quarantine by any hospital or health agency

Or if you've been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19

Please advise the Court Security Officer prior to entering the Screening Area

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

If you have been denied entrance to the courthouse:

If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney.

If you are a juror, please contact the

Jury Administrator

(334) 954-3950

For **District Court** matters please contact Clerk's Office (334) 954-3600

For **Bankruptcy Court** matters please contact Clerk's Office (334) 954-3800

For **Probation Office** matters please contact (334) 954-3226

For **U.S. Attorney's Office** matters please contact (334) 223-7280

For all other matters please contact the office with whom you have business