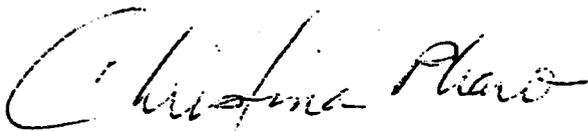


Re: Prohibited Electronic Devices

Please see the attach policy directive regarding electronic equipment within the courthouse facilities. This new policy has been implemented pursuant to ongoing advancements in technologies and the way these technologies are being utilized to conceal hazardous devices. Understand that your safety and security is paramount to the United States Marshals Service.

As with any matter of security, the cooperation of each person working within the facility is appreciated. Please accept my gratitude in advance for your assistance to help ensure a smooth transition to this new policy. As always, feel free to contact myself or Senior Inspector Keith Kluttz at (305) 536-4686 should you have any questions or need clarification regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christina Pharo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Christina Pharo
United States Marshal
Southern District of Florida**

Beginning Tuesday October 14th 2003, the following procedures will be strictly adhered to regarding the introduction of electronic equipment into the Federal Courthouse Facilities within the Southern District of Florida.

I. Electronic Devices.

A. All electronic devices including but not limited to Cell Phones, Pagers, Personal Data Assistants (PDA), Laptop Computers, Tape Recorders, etc... are prohibited from entering any federal courthouse facility within the Southern District of Florida with the following exceptions. **Note - (Pursuant to Southern District of Florida Local Rule 77.1) Cameras of any type are not allowed in any of the facilities without a written order signed by a Federal Judge and Verified by the USMS. Exception - United States Probation Officers and courthouse employees assigned to the Southern District of Florida are permitted to bring their Government issued cell phone which has a camera device. (Bar codes are not required).*

B. Exceptions to Electronic Device Admittance:

1. A written request signed by a Judge or other designated authority, forwarded to the U.S. Marshal for verification, allowing a specific person access to the courthouse with a specific electronic device for a specific purpose and period of time. **Or...**
2. Any Federal Courthouse Employee with a valid permanent courthouse employee Identification Card having business within the facility. **Or...**
3. Any attorney of the United States Attorney's Office or the Federal Public Defenders Office with a valid identification card issued from that office. **Or....**
4. Any Special Agent for the United States Government or other law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the law within the Southern District of Florida, having official business within the courthouse facility and possessing a valid agency/department issued identification badge. **Or...**
5. Any attorney permitted to practice law within the Southern District of Florida with a valid Florida Bar Association Bar Card Identification having business within the facility. (This applies to attorneys only and precludes staff, investigators. etc...)

***Persons not meeting at least one of the requirements listed above will not be permitted to bring an electronic device of any kind including a cell phone into the federal courthouses (i.e. the general public, etc...).**