



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2013-59

**IN RE: SECURITY SCREENING
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Consistent with past procedures governing the security screening of all persons entering United States Courthouses in the Southern District of Florida, the Court enters this Administrative Order applicable to all buildings in the Southern District where the Circuit, District and Bankruptcy Courts hold court, except for the Claude Pepper Federal Building and the West Palm Beach Bankruptcy Court.

The Court once again reiterates its policy that all members of the general public, including members of the bar, entering United States Courthouses will be subject to security screening by the Court Security Officers working at the direction of the United States Marshals Service, the Federal Protective Service or the United States Attorney's Office. The general public shall present valid official government photo identification and must pass all items through an x-ray machine. They must also successfully pass through a metal detector, or if necessary, a handheld metal detector. They may also be required to remove their shoes and pass them through the x-ray machine.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that it is the policy of this Court that all Court and other federal employees entering United States Courthouses will be subject to the same security screening as the general public.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that it is the express policy of this Court that unless entering a courthouse via motorized vehicle through a secured parking garage within a courthouse, all Court and federal employees must enter courthouses through the main entrance in which they will be

subject to screening. Employees shall not access courthouses through side, garage or alternate entrances in order to bypass security screening. Employees who park in surface parking lots adjacent to or abutting courthouses must enter courthouses through main entrances subject to screening.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the only exceptions to these screening requirements are for federal judges, deputy U.S. Marshals, Court Security Officers, Chief and Deputy Chief Probation Officers, the Clerk of Court, Federal Protective Service Uniformed Officers and law enforcement personnel that are permanent tenants of federal buildings or facilities (but only in buildings or facilities where their offices are located). This Order shall be effective immediately.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Florida this 18th day of September, 2013.



FEDERICO A. MORENO
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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