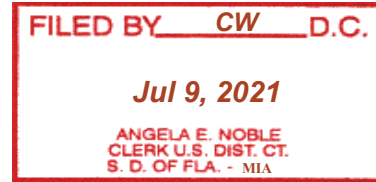


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2021-68

IN RE: PARTIAL SEQUESTRATION OF  
GRAND JURORS

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To reduce the possibility of COVID-19 exposure, Administrative Order 2020-87 was entered to partially sequester grand jurors and permit the Clerk of Court to provide juror meals. Grand jury proceedings resumed on November 17, 2020, at a time when the virus was pervasive in the Southern District of Florida and vaccines were not readily available. It was determined, however, that the interests of justice required grand juries to reconvene despite the health risks associated with the pandemic. Since then, the Governor of Florida has eliminated COVID-19 restrictions, vaccinations are widely available, and non-pilot jury trials are resuming July 19, 2021. The Court continues to follow guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to ensure the safety of all those entering the Courthouses. As a result, it is no longer necessary to sequester grand jurors. It is hereby

**ORDERED** that, beginning July 19, 2021, grand jurors are no longer partially sequestered. The Clerk of Court is no longer required to provide light refreshments and/or meals to grand jurors when they convene at any federal courthouse in the Southern District of Florida.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers at Miami, Florida, this 9th day of July, 2021.

  
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CECILIA M. ALTONAGA  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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