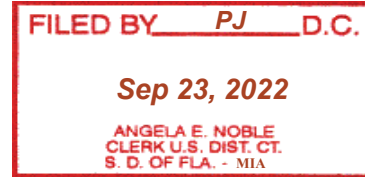


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2022-75

**IN RE: ORDER VACATING MASK AND  
VACCINATION MANDATES IN THE  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
FEDERAL COURTHOUSE FACILITIES**

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This Order is issued in conjunction with Administrative Orders 2022-24, 2021-70, 2021-50, 2021-33, 2021-12, 2020-76, 2020-53, 2020-41, 2020-33, 2020-24, 2020-21 and 2020-18, which limited in-court appearances, continued all jury trials, and implemented a vaccination policy for all employees and on-site contractors of the U.S. District and Bankruptcy Courts, and the U.S. Probation Office for the Southern District of Florida.


In light of the current COVID-19 situation and in consultation with the Court's District Judges, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that effective immediately, Paragraph 1 of Administrative Order 2022-24, specifically the requirement that all persons entering any federal courthouse facility within the Southern District of Florida wear a mask, is **VACATED**. Masks are no longer required to be worn by visitors or employees in Southern District of Florida federal courthouse facilities. Nevertheless, the presiding Judge retains discretion to require masks in his or her courtroom and chambers and may instruct witnesses to remove their face masks while testifying. Anyone who wishes to wear a mask in a courthouse may otherwise continue to do so. It is further

**ORDERED** that effective immediately, Administrative Order 2021-70, as well as the Southern District of Florida's "Mandatory Policy for Employee COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing," issued separately, are **VACATED**.

This Order shall remain in effect until further Order of the Court.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Miami, Florida, this 23rd day of September, 2022.

  
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**CECILIA M. ALTONAGA**  
**CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

- c: Honorable William H. Pryor, Jr., Chief Judge, Eleventh Circuit  
All Southern District of Florida District Judges, Bankruptcy Judges and Magistrate Judges  
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