

IN THE SUPREME COURT  
OF THE  
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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MAY 13 2020

*Shirley A. Johnson Legal*  
Clerk

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RE:

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA )  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN/MINNEHAHA ) SS

IN CIRCUIT COURT  
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

MAY 13, 2020 )  
STANDING ORDER REGARDING )  
COVID-19 COURTHOUSE SECURITY )  
MEASURES )  
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ORDER APPROVING

CIV. 20-4

STANDING ORDER

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By the Court's Order of March 13, 2020, Declaring Judicial  
Emergency COVID-19 Disease the South Dakota Supreme Court declared the  
existence of a judicial emergency pursuant to SDCL 16-3- 11 through 15  
and pursuant to the Court's authority to administer justice and to  
ensure the safety of court personnel, litigants and the public, it is

ORDERED that the attached Standing Order CIV. 20-4 Regarding  
COVID-19 Courthouse Safety Measures of the Second Judicial Circuit be  
and it is hereby approved in its entirety.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall remain in effect  
until further order of the Court.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota this 13th day of May, 2020.

BY THE COURT:

*David Gilbertson*  
David Gilbertson, Chief Justice

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*  
Clerk of the Supreme Court  
(SEAL)

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COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA/LINCOLN )

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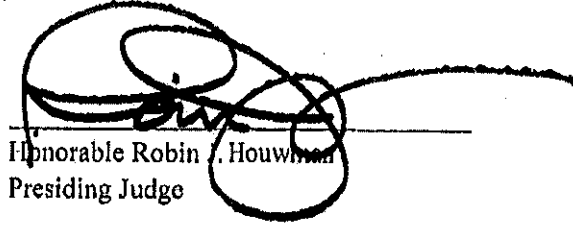
MAY 13, 2020 STANDING ORDER REGARDING COVID-19 COURTHOUSE SECURITY MEASURES	CIV. 20-4  STANDING ORDER
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It is hereby ORDERED that the Second Circuit Court effective immediately, will implement the following steps to help reduce the spread of COVID-19, to remain in effect until further order:

1. All persons entering the Minnehaha County Courthouse or the Courthouse portion of the Lincoln County Administration Building (the Courthouses) shall wear protective facial coverings such as a mask, scarf, bandana or other cloth which covers the nose and mouth, during the time that such individuals are present in the Courthouse.
2. No one, including the public, parties to litigation, defendants, and employees shall enter the Courthouses if they fall into any of the categories below:
  - a. Persons who have traveled to or live with someone who have traveled to an area identified by the CDC as having widespread community transmission of COVID-19 or a Country that is the subject of travel restrictions in the last 14 days;
  - b. Persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, medical provider, or health agency during the duration of such quarantine,
  - c. Persons who have been diagnosed with or have had close contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 until the expiration of a quarantine period,

- d. Persons with a cough, fever over 100.4 degrees, or shortness of breath or any other symptoms of COVID-19 as outlined by the CDC, and
  - e. Persons under the age of 10, unless they are a witness or required party to litigation.
3. Court Security Officers or other designated personnel may question any person entering the Courthouses to determine if they fall into one of the above referenced categories. If a person falls into a referenced category, they may be denied entry into the Courthouses and will be directed to reschedule a court appearance via remote means or obtain other services remotely.
  4. If a person falls into a vulnerable category as defined by the CDC, they may request a reset of their court appearance to appear via remote means.
  5. Those with business at the Courthouses are encouraged to use alternate means for obtaining information and submitting information to the Court.
  6. All persons entering the Courthouses shall practice social distancing.
  7. Any mandatory sanction required pursuant to the Application of Supervisory Responses (ASR) established by SDCL § 23A-48-7 and SDCL § 23A-48-9, may be deferred in the discretion of the Court Services Officer in consultation with the deputy or chief court services officer.
  8. All judges may use discretion in allowing individuals to remove masks during court proceedings.
  9. Courtrooms shall be limited to one-half the posted occupancy.

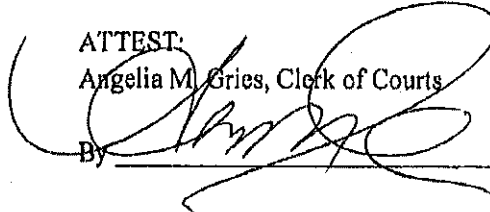
Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

  
Honorablr Robin J. Houwman  
Presiding Judge

ATTEST:  
Kristie Torgerson, Clerk of Court

By , Deputy

ATTEST:  
Angelia M. Gries, Clerk of Courts

  
By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }  
MINNEHaha COUNTY }

I hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears on record in my office.

MAY 13 2020

Clerk of Courts, Minnehaha County

By  Deputy