

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

In re: Screening Procedures during)
the Public Health Emergency) Misc. Action No. 20-1000-KD
caused by the Covid-19 Virus)

ORDER

President Donald J. Trump and Governor Kay Ivey have declared a public health emergency in response to the spread of the coronavirus COVID-19. Also, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other public health authorities have advised taking precautions to reduce the possibility of exposure to the virus and slow the spread of the disease. Specifically, Mobile County Health Officer, Dr. Bernard H. Eichold II, M.D., has recently urged the Court to institute COVID-19 screening procedures and require any person entering the courthouse to wear a mask.

Therefore, in order to protect the public health, **all persons**, including but not limited to:

Court employees; visitors and parties to cases; jurors; witnesses; attorneys and their support staff including United States Attorneys, members of the Federal Defenders Organization and members of the Criminal Justice Act Panel of Attorneys; United States Probation Officers; Court Security Officers; United States Marshals, all members of law enforcement, Bankruptcy Administration personnel, General Services Administration personnel; maintenance and repair personnel and contractors, cleaning services, vendors, and mail delivery service people,

- 1) shall, starting May 4, 2020, wear a mask while on the Courthouse premises; and
- 2) shall, starting May 18, 2020, before being allowed to enter the Courthouse, be required to submit to COVID-19 screening.

These restrictions and requirements shall remain in place until the Court determines they can safely be discontinued.

DONE and ORDERED this the 1st day of May 2020.

s/ Kristi K. DuBose
Kristi K. DuBose
Chief United States District Judge
Southern District of Alabama