

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
GALVESTON DIVISION**

Special Order G-2020-1

ORDER

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, and in the interest of the health of both the public and those working in Galveston's United States Courthouse and Custom House, the court issues the following order:

Until further notice, the United States Courthouse and Custom House located at 601 25th Street in Galveston, Texas, is closed to the public. Litigants with cases pending in the Galveston Division of the Southern District of Texas who are not able to file documents in their cases through the court's CM/ECF system will be able to file via email. Instructions for those litigants will be posted on the building's front door.

Though the building is closed to the public, and though no proceedings will occur in the building's courtrooms, the court is not closed down. I and other members of the court's staff will continue to come to the building to work. Other federal officers, employees, and contractors who work in the building will also not be restricted from entry.

SIGNED on Galveston Island this 2d day of April, 2020.


JEFFREY VINCENT BROWN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE