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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISIONS

IN RE: MASK MANDATE IN
THE HOUSTON DIVISION
UNDER THE EXIGENT
CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED
BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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SPECIAL ORDER H-2021-14

ORDER

Effective July 6, 2021, the wearing of masks is optional for vaccinated persons who enter the Bob Casey United States Courthouse in Houston, Texas. Persons who are not fully vaccinated must continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing in courthouse public areas. Mask wearing inside courtrooms is at the discretion of each presiding judicial officer. This order applies to employees, contractors, jurors and prospective jurors, lawyers, litigants, witnesses, family members, court observers, and other members of the public.

This order is subject to the district-wide policy for the Southern District of Texas requiring all courthouse employees who work with venire panels and jurors to be both vaccinated and masked.

This order remains in place subject to further court order.

Signed this 30th day of June, 2021.



LEE H. ROSENTHAL
CHIEF JUDGE