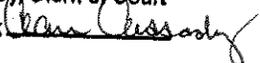


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
MCALLEN DIVISION

United States District Court  
Southern District of Texas  
ENTERED

MAR 20 2020

David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court  
By Deputy Clerk 

IN RE: RESTRICTIONS ON  
VISITORS TO THE MCALLEN  
U. S. COURTHOUSE DURING THE  
COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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SPECIAL ORDER M-2020-1

The Centers for Disease Control and public health authorities have asked people to take precautions and reduce exposure to the COVID-19 virus. The court ORDERS, effective immediately, that the following persons may not enter the McAllen Division U. S. Courthouse of the Southern District of Texas:

- persons who, in the last 14 days, have been in any of the countries covered by the Level 3 Travel Health Notice on COVID-19 from the Centers for Disease Control, including those listed on signs at the entrance to the courthouse;
- persons who reside or have had close contact with someone who has been in one of the countries referenced above within the last 14 days;
- persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital or health agency;
- persons who have been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19; and
- persons with fever, cough, or shortness of breath.

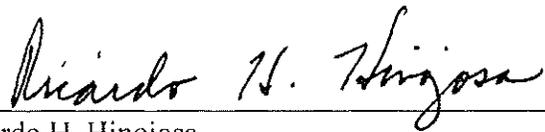
**Anyone meeting any of the criteria in this Order may be denied entry to the courthouse or any part of the courthouse by a Court Security Officer or Deputy Marshal.**

If you have a scheduled hearing or other appointment, or you are otherwise required to appear at the courthouse, and you are unable to do so because of the restrictions listed above, you should proceed as follows:

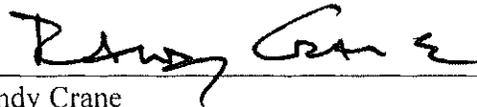
- if you are represented by an attorney, contact your attorney;
- if you are an attorney and you are scheduled to appear in court before a judge, contact the Case Manager at (956) 618-8065;
- if you are scheduled to meet with a Probation or Pretrial Services Officer, contact the office of Probation and Pretrial Services at (956) 618-8035;
- if you are a juror, contact the U. S. District Clerk's Office at (956) 618-8065;
- Bankruptcy Court matters, contact the case manager at (956) 928-7082;
- for the United States Trustee, call 713-718-4650; or
- for all other matters, contact the U. S. District Clerk's Office at (956) 618-8065.

These restrictions will remain in place until it is determined to be safe to remove them. People who think they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their healthcare provider immediately.

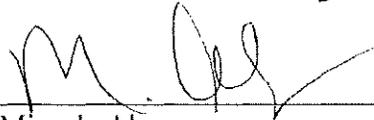
Signed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.



Ricardo H. Hinojosa  
United States District Judge



Randy Crane  
United States District Judge



Micaela Alvarez  
United States District Judge