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David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court  
By Deputy Clerk AMF

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
CORPUS CHRISTI AND VICTORIA DIVISIONS

IN RE: COURT OPERATIONS IN §  
THE CORPUS CHRISTI AND VICTORIA §  
DIVISIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT § SPECIAL ORDER C-2020-5  
CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY THE § V-2020-2  
COVID-19 PANDEMIC §

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 Corpus Christi and Victoria Divisions U. S. Courthouses 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 each courthouse;
- persons who reside or have had close contact with someone who has been in one of the countries listed 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 either courthouse, and you are unable to do so because of the restrictions listed above, you should proceed as follows:

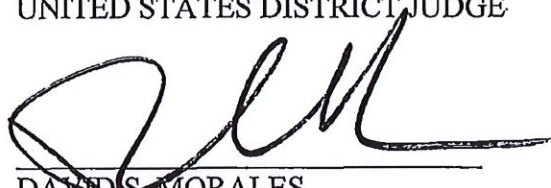
- if you are represented by an attorney, contact your attorney;
- if you are an attorney and you are scheduled to appear in court before a judge, contact the Corpus Christi Clerk of Court at 361-888-3142 or the Victoria Clerk of Court at 361-788-5000;
- if you are scheduled to meet with a Probation or Pretrial Services Officer, contact the office of Probation and Pretrial Services for Corpus Christi at 361-888-3145 or the office of Probation and Pretrial Services for Victoria at 361-579-6640;

- if you are a juror, contact the Corpus Christi Jury Department at 361-888-3375 or the Corpus Christi Clerk's Office at 361-888-3142 or the Victoria Clerk's Office at 361-788-5000;
- for Court of Appeals matters, contact Lyle Cayce, Clerk of Court, at 504-310-7700;
- for District and Bankruptcy Court matters, contact the Corpus Christi Clerk of Court at 361-888-3142 or the Victoria Clerk of Court at 361-788-5000;
- for case-specific matters, contact the case manager for that court;
- for the United States Trustee, call 361-883-5786 for Corpus Christi cases or call Assistant US Trustee Diane Livingstone at 713-320-6971 for Victoria Cases; or
- for all other matters, contact the Corpus Christi District Clerk's Office at 361-888-3142 or the Victoria District Clerk's Office at 361-788-5000.

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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
NELVA GONZALEZ RAMOS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

  
DAVID S. MORALES  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE