

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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IN RE: QUARANTINE PROTOCOL)
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT)
OF OKLAHOMA)

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CARMELITA REEDER SWINN, CLERK
U.S. DIST. COURT, WESTERN DIST. OKLA.
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ORDER

In light of the new guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”), the Court institutes the following protocol for all Judges and employees of the District Court, the Bankruptcy Court, the United States Probation Office, the Federal Public Defender’s Office, and members of the Criminal Justice Act panels. The Court strongly urges Judges and employees of the Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit who are stationed in Oklahoma City, the United States Marshals Service, the General Services Administration, and the United States Attorney’s Office to also comply with this protocol.

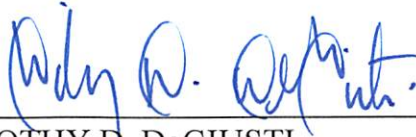
1. Persons who have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, or is believed to be ill due to COVID-19, shall quarantine.

2. Close contact is defined as being within six feet of an infected person for a total of 15 minutes within a 24 hour period; caring for someone who has COVID-19; having direct physical contact with an infected person, such as hugging or kissing the person; sharing eating utensils with an infected person; or having been sneezed or coughed on by a COVID-19 positive person.

3. Persons who are in quarantine may return to the office on the 11th day after exposure if they have no symptoms of COVID-19 or on the 8th day after exposure if they have received a negative PCR (nasal swab) test result (provided the test was administered no sooner than 5 days after exposure) and they have no symptoms of COVID-19.

4. Regardless, all persons exposed to someone with COVID-19 must continue to monitor their health and watch for symptoms until 14 days after exposure. If symptoms appear, immediate self-isolation is required.

ENTERED for the Court this 9th day of December, 2020.



TIMOTHY D. DeGIUSTI
Chief United States District Judge