

# In the Supreme Court of the State of Idaho

**IN RE: SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR** )  
**IDAHO SUPREME COURT BUILDING** )  
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**Order**  
**March 1, 2022**

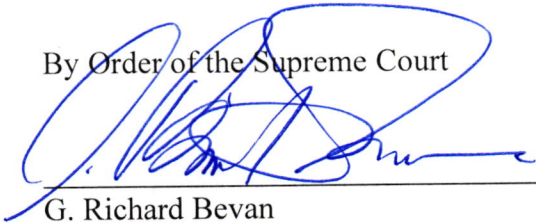
This Court has previously issued a series of emergency orders intended to address the substantial health and safety risks faced by the public accessing the courts, court personnel, and participants in court proceedings caused by the community spread of the coronavirus. On August 12, 2021, the Court issued an Order in re: Safety Protocols for Idaho Supreme Court building providing for mandatory masking and social distancing for all members of the public entering the Idaho Supreme Court building as well as for staff working in the building in all spaces open to the public. On February 17, 2022, the Court issued an Emergency Order Regarding Court Services recognizing the improving situation regarding the coronavirus across the state. This order tasked Administrative District Judges with ensuring appropriate measures are in place in each courthouse in their district to reduce the risk of transmission of the coronavirus after considering “local conditions including, but not limited to, the COVID-19 incidence rate of the county as reflected in the weekly incidence report published by the Administrative Office of the Courts and whether crisis standards of care have been activated in the health district.”

After consideration, including those noted by the February 17 order, we have concluded that further modification of our safety protocols is warranted. Therefore, access to the Idaho Supreme Court building will be governed by the follow rules until further order of this Court.

1. All persons, whether staff or members of the public, are allowed and encouraged to wear a mask that covers their nose and mouth. However, no person shall be asked or required to wear a mask against their wishes, nor shall a person be asked or required to remove a mask against their wishes.
2. Persons who fall into any of the following categories shall not enter the Idaho Supreme Court building:
  - a. Those who have been diagnosed with but have not recovered from COVID-19;
  - b. Those who have been asked to self-isolate by any doctor, hospital, or health agency.
3. The terms of this order shall be conspicuously posted at all public entry points of the Idaho Supreme Court building.
4. The terms of this order are effective on March 1, 2022. This order supersedes the Court’s order entered on August 12, 2021.

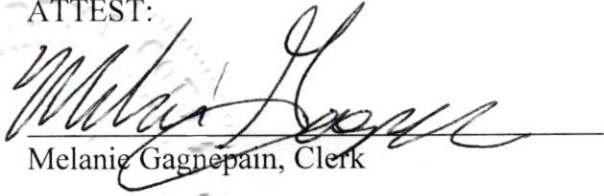
DATED this 1st day of March, 2022.

By Order of the Supreme Court



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G. Richard Bevan  
Chief Justice, Idaho Supreme Court

ATTEST:



Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk

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