



Clackamas County Circuit Court Jury Service during the Coronavirus Pandemic

Clackamas County Circuit Court is committed to maintaining access to services while keeping jurors, litigants, staff, the public and others safe. Jurors perform a vital role in our American system of justice. Jury service is an important civic function that supports one of the fundamental rights of citizens—the right to have their cases decided by a jury of their peers. The right to a speedy trial is important for every single Oregon citizen accused of a crime, even when in the midst of a pandemic. Because of that constitutional right we have a new process for calling in jurors to the courthouse that includes changes that have been made for the safety and protection of all jurors.

Some of those changes are:

- Jury panels are being called in small groups of no more than 25 jurors in one room, and 6 feet of social distancing is maintained at all times.
- Face coverings are required at all times for jurors, court staff and others in the courthouse.
- Jury rooms and items used by jurors (pens, clipboards, chairs etc.) are being disinfected after each session. This also includes door knobs and countertops.
- Hand sanitizer is available at multiple locations.
- There are markings throughout the space indicating where to stand or sit so that we can ensure that there is adequate social distancing.
- Should you be placed on a panel and be sent to a courtroom, jurors are sent over in small groups of no more than 10, and once in the courtroom are spaced out that we can ensure social distancing. In addition, because our jury rooms are not large enough for the jury panel, we have designated a second courtroom for the use of jurors during deliberation.

Feeling Ill or You or Household Member at Higher Risk

Potential jurors who are ill or in “higher risk” or “others at risk” categories (as defined on the [Centers for Disease Control Prevention \(CDC\) website](#)) may contact the court to reschedule their jury service.

If, at the time you are scheduled to appear for service, you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, please contact the court at the phone number provided on the jury summons to reschedule your service.

Your Health and Safety is Important to Us

It is extremely important that the members of our community feel protected and safe when participating in the jury service process. We recognize that jurors are essential, frontline workers and the work that they do ensures that our democracy continues to move forward. If you have any questions, we want you to contact us!

Contact Us

Email: CLA.Jury@ojd.state.or.us (preferred method)

Phone: 503-655-8397

Clackamas County Circuit Court wishes to thank each of you for your service!

Photo Gallery

Please see our gallery below, highlighting some of the changes we have made to ensure the safety and protection of all community members serving for jury.

Signs at the Entrances of our Buildings

Pursuant to the Governors Order,
you must wear a

FACE MASK

And protect yourself and those that work
here from COVID-19.



If you need a mask, please let us know –

**we can provide
you with one.**

Exemption requests may be made
to the Presiding Judge as follows:



503-655-8670



CLA.Court.Info@ojd.state.or.us



Speak with staff at the Security Screening Station.
They can assist you with communicating
with the Court if needed.



Clackamas County Circuit Court COVID-19 Notice

For the health and safety of visitors and employees to the court
YOU SHOULD NOT ENTER THE COURTHOUSE if you are an
individual who meets the criteria of **1, 2 or 3** below.

- 1 Individuals who have returned from international travel or been on a cruise within the last 14 days.
- 2 Individuals who report signs or symptoms of a respiratory infection such as:
◆Fever ◆Cough ◆Shortness of Breath
- 3 Individuals who have had contact with someone who has **OR** is under investigation for COVID-19.

If you meet the criteria of 1, 2 or 3 above, you should **not** enter the courthouse. Instead, please contact the court as follows:



503-655-8447



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Sidewalk outside of the Holman Building

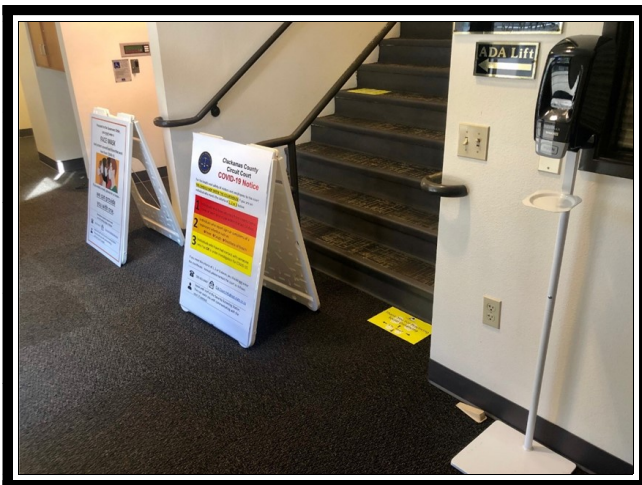


Staircase leading to Assembly Room

Markings have been added to the sidewalk and stairs leading into the Holman Building to ensure 6 feet of social distancing is easily maintained by jurors.



Entry to Jury Assembly Room



Hand Sanitizing Station located at entrance to the Holman Building

Hand sanitizing stations are available in multiple locations throughout the courthouse.

Chairs have been eliminated in the Jury Assembly room as well as in the overflow room to ensure social distancing.



Jury Assembly Room



Overflow Room



Jury Assembly Room Front Counter

Courtrooms have been set up to ensure that there is social distancing in each courtroom and that we know the number of people that will fit into each room.

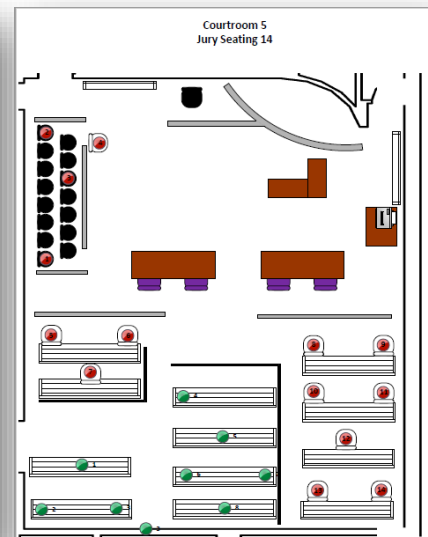
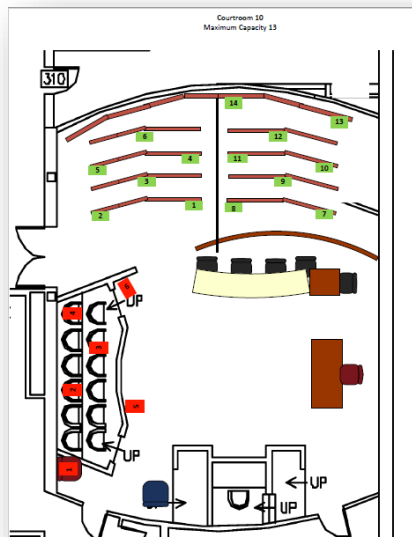


Diagram of our two trial courtrooms

You will notice signs on the outside of each courtroom door that indicates the capacity and provides direction to members of the public on where they should sit.



Inside the courtroom the audience area is well marked to provide those visiting the courtroom with information on where to sit as well.

