

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
FOR THE COUNTY OF CLACKAMAS

**In the Matter of:**

**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS  
WORKING IN COURTHOUSE TO  
WEAR PROTECTIVE FACE  
COVERINGS**

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**Presiding Judge Order  
2020-21**

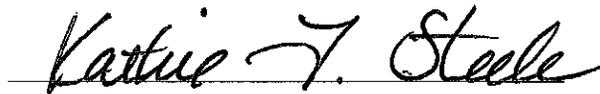
On May 14, 2020, Governor Brown approved a Phase One reopening for some parts of the state, easing certain restrictions on Oregonians in relation to the COVID-19 state of emergency. On May 15, 2020, Chief Justice Walters issues Chief Justice Order (CJO) No. 20-016, which imposed “Level 2” and “Level 3” restrictions on court operations effective June 1, 2020. Paragraph 10 of CJO No. 20-016 addresses the use of protective face coverings when entering a courthouse. On June 17, 2020, Governor Brown announced a requirement that face coverings be worn while in indoor public spaces in several Oregon counties, including Clackamas County. Pursuant to the authority described in CJO 20-016, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Definitions. “Courthouse” means the common areas open to the public, courtrooms and work areas for court personnel in the Clackamas County Courthouse. “Protective face covering” means a covering of the nose and mouth to protect against spreading the COVID-19 virus, as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control.
2. Law enforcement officers that work in the courthouse are required to wear a protective face covering while in the Courthouse.

3. Any law enforcement officer seeking to enter the Courthouse without using a protective face covering because of disability, respiratory or other health-related issues, or otherwise for good cause can request an exemption from the Presiding Judge. Exemption requests may be presented to the Presiding Judge as needed. Officers requesting such an exemption should contact Presiding Court before entering the courthouse.

4. This Order takes effect immediately;

DATED this 14 day of July 2020.

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Kathie F. Steele  
Clackamas County Circuit Court  
Presiding Judge