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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

COURT SECURITY

GENERAL ORDER

The Court hereby orders:

I. RESTRICTIONS ON WEAPONS

- A. All persons entering a Los Angeles County courthouse are subject to weapons screening procedures established by the Court and Sheriff of Los Angeles County. Any person refusing to comply with the lawful order of security personnel assigned to conduct weapons screening may be refused entry into the courthouse.
- B. All persons are prohibited from entering a Los Angeles County courthouse with a firearm or deadly or dangerous weapon unless they are state or federal law enforcement officers on official business, or persons lawfully entitled to carry such a weapon who have the written consent from the Presiding Judge or the Supervising Judge of the affected courthouse to bring such weapon into the courthouse.
- C. Under no circumstances shall any law enforcement officer bring a firearm or deadly or dangerous weapon into a Los Angeles County courthouse if the officer is entering the courthouse as a party litigant in a private action unless written permission to bring such weapon into the courthouse has first been obtained from the Presiding Judge or the Supervising Judge of the affected courthouse.
- D. Upon entering any courtroom or court office, all persons in possession of a firearm or deadly or dangerous weapon, including armed peace officers, must immediately identify themselves

to the courtroom bailiff, court liaison, or court clerk, indicate they are carrying a weapon, and explain the purpose of their visit.

II. RESTRICTIONS ON PROHIBITED ITEMS. All persons are prohibited from entering a Los Angeles County courthouse with any item listed on the Court's Prohibited Items list, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

III. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT DIRECTIONS. While on or in the premises of any courthouse, all persons are ordered to comply with the lawful requests, directions, and orders of any law enforcement officers and their agents in the performance of their duties.

IV. POSTING AND SERVICE OF ORDER. This Order shall be posted at each public entrance to a courthouse; and at such other places that will reasonably provide notice of this Order to persons entering such courthouse. The Sheriff of Los Angeles County and his or her deputies and their agents are directed to serve a copy of this Order personally on any person who appears to be in violation thereof, to advise such person of the apparent violation, and, if the apparent violation continues after such notice, to immediately notify the Court's Office of Public Safety, Court Counsel, and/or the Site Judge responsible for that courthouse, so that the Court can determine whether proceedings should be initiated to ensure compliance with this Order. This Order shall not preclude any law enforcement officer from taking appropriate steps to ensure the orderly and peaceable conduct of court business at a courthouse.


V. PENALTIES. Violation of this Order may result in the imposition of sanctions in the amount of up to \$1,500 per violation pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 177.5 and/or prosecution for criminal violations.

This General Order is to remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Presiding Judge.

GOOD CAUSE APPEARING THEREFOR, IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: January 23, 2023




SAMANTHA P. JESENER
Presiding Judge

PROHIBITED ITEMS

To ensure the safety of all who enter the courthouse, the following items are not permitted inside the building:



NO

- Animals (except service animals)
- Alcohol
- Illegal drugs, marijuana, and drug paraphernalia
- Firearms, replica firearms, projectile weapons, ammunition, stun guns and tasers
- Knives, bladed or sharp instruments, needles and syringes* and other similar objects
- Hazardous biological or chemical liquids or materials
- Breakable containers including, but not limited to ceramic and glass
- Flammable and chemical sprays and liquids; all aerosols* including tear gas/pepper spray.
- Lighters, matches, fire starters, or devices capable of emitting smoke or vapor
- Handcuffs and/or handcuff keys
- Any item that can be used as a weapon including, but not limited to, eating utensils, hairbrushes/combs, manicure sets**
- Bicycles, bike locks, chains, skates, skateboards, scooters*, bats and other sporting equipment
- Graffiti tools and marking pens
- Laser pointers*
- Personal property which cannot be safely, adequately, or efficiently screened by security personnel**

**Items required for medical, mobility or disability needs are exempt.*

*** Subject to the discretion of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department screening staff.*

