
MEMORANDUM
UPDATED HEARING PROCEDURES
COVID-19
May 25, 2021

In light of the May 13, 2021 update from the CDC regarding COVID-19 and fully vaccinated individuals, the Memorandum issued July 2020 is rescinded and the following hearing procedures will go in effect as of today:

First, masks will not be required for vaccinated individuals in the Court's lobby.

Second, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding judge, the following rules apply in the courtrooms:

- Legal counsel (or a *pro se* litigant) and witnesses will not be required to wear a mask during the hearing while they are testifying or addressing the bench regardless of whether they are vaccinated or not.
- Fully vaccinated individuals (as defined by the CDC) attending the hearing will not be required to wear a mask.
- Unvaccinated individuals attending the hearing will continue to be required to wear a mask.

Third, the presiding judge may limit the number of individuals in the courtroom, other than official parties/attorneys and witnesses.