

# CURRENT COVID PRECAUTIONS

Dear Potential Juror,

You have been summoned for jury duty. Jury duty is important because it safeguards one of the most crucial rights of the American legal system. As trials continue to take place, the court must continue to rely on civic-minded jurors like you for help in ensuring fairness and providing impartial viewpoints.

The court takes public health and safety seriously and has continuously implemented policies to minimize the risk of infection from coronavirus for jurors and other court users. We would like to assure you that the court will continue to take steps to safeguard your health during your time in the courthouse.

Based upon the Governor's most recent Proclamation and in consultation with the Mason County Director of Community Services, the Court has modified its current protocol with regard to COVID-19 mitigation standards.

We continue to take the following precautions.

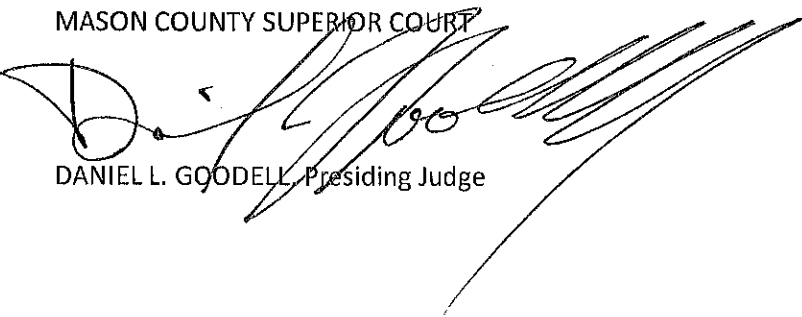
1. Jurors will no longer be required to wear a mask. Masks will be made available to those appearing for jury duty, however the wearing of a mask will be discretionary.
2. Jurors will be expected to practice good hygiene by washing hands frequently or by using hand sanitizer when hand washing is not practicable.
3. Jurors will be in areas that will have enough space to distance themselves from other people in the room in accordance with the then existing guidelines.
4. Hand sanitizer stations have been installed throughout the courthouse.
5. Jurors will be able to sanitize or wash their hands as often as they feel necessary.
6. Jurors will be encouraged to share any concerns with the bailiff.

It is possible to delay your jury duty. Please review your summons for more information on how to request a delay.

Please remember, although you are able to delay or be excused from jury duty, you cannot simply ignore a summons to jury duty – you must respond to a jury summons.

Thank you for your service to our community,

MASON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

  
DANIEL L. GOODELL, Presiding Judge

03/09/2022