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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

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**ORDER REGARDING ENTRY INTO COURTHOUSE**

In order to protect public health and in recognition of the national emergency that was declared by the President of the United States on March 13, 2020, the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division, hereby issues the following order:

The John H. Wood, Jr. United States Courthouse, 655 East Cesar E. Chavez Blvd, San Antonio, Texas will remain open for business, but access to the building will be restricted. Security will only permit access to the following persons:

- Persons who have been ordered to appear or otherwise who are appearing in a proceeding being conducted by any judge in the Western District of Texas;
- Persons who have Court business with the Office of the District Clerk (to file pleadings, make payments, etc.) Such persons will be allowed access only for the limited purpose to the Clerk's Office on the ground floor.
- Government employees who work in the courthouse and are authorized to appear by their employer;
- Contractors who are authorized to appear;
- United States Postal Service mail carriers, private mail carriers and private delivery services;
- Law enforcement personnel;

- Credentialed courthouse press;
- Grand Jurors, for emergency matters, as authorized by the supplemental Order Regarding Court Operations (entered by Chief Judge Orlando L. Garcia on April 15, 2020);
- Victims who are attending scheduled proceedings; and
- Persons designated by the Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, or the Chief Judge of the Western District of Texas.

Persons otherwise authorized to enter must pass the screening protocol that can be found in the “Order Regarding Court Operations Under the Exigent Circumstances Created by the COVID-19 Pandemic” and the “Additional Order Regarding Grand Jury Proceedings Under the Exigent Circumstances created by the COVID-19 Pandemic” entered on March 13, 2020, March 16, 2020 and April 15, 2020, respectively, by the Honorable Chief Judge Orlando L. Garcia, Chief Judge of the Western District of Texas. Orders can be found at <https://www.txwd.uscourts.gov>. No one will be permitted to enter in violation of that protocol.

This Standing Order shall be effective immediately and until May 31, 2020, unless vacated, modified or extended by supplemental order.

SO ORDERED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.



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**ORLANDO L. GARCIA**  
Chief United States District Judge