

United States District Court
Southern District of Indiana

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Consistent with the recommendation of the United States Marshals Service, effective March 1, 2012, all liquids and beverages are prohibited from being brought into any federal courthouse in the Southern District of Indiana.

Visitors attempting to enter with prohibited items will be asked to dispose of them in trash receptacles outside the building. Visitors may purchase beverages inside the courthouse from vending machines, where available. Beverages, other than water, are not permitted inside courtrooms under any circumstances. Visitors who leave the courthouse with a beverage purchased inside the courthouse will not be permitted to reenter with it. Judges of the Court may grant exceptions to this policy when appropriate (*e.g.*, for jurors).

The Lead Court Security Officers, who supervise the Court Security Officers conducting security screening at the entrances, are authorized to make exceptions if a prohibited item is determined to be necessary and required to serve child care, medical, or other special needs. Visitors should advise a Court Security Officer at the screening station if such an exemption is requested.

Individuals possessing a valid building access card that permits the holder to bypass regular security screening (*e.g.*, Judges, court staff, Assistant U. S. Attorneys, and attorneys from the Indiana Federal Community Defenders and U.S. Trustee's Offices) will be permitted to carry liquids and beverages into a courthouse. Individuals with General Services Administration photo identification badges containing a yellow background, and contractors with security clearances who are performing repair and alteration projects at federal courthouse facilities, will be permitted to carry liquids or beverages into a courthouse after screening by a Court Security Officer or member of the Federal Protective Service.