

AMENDMENT TO THE COVID-19 PLAN TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

EFFECTIVE May 20, 2021

The Twenty-Third Judicial District's Covid-19 plan is hereby modified to grant the Circuit, Chancery, General Sessions, Juvenile and Municipal Courts of the district the expanded discretion provided for the May 14, 2021, Tennessee Supreme Court Order. The Twenty-Third Judicial District implements the following provisions:

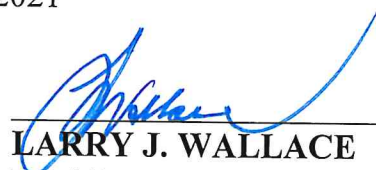
1. The previous requirement of six (6) feet of distance between person in the courtroom is modified to require three (3) feet of distance between persons in the courtroom.
2. Courtroom capacity limitations are lifted; however, the Judges of the Twenty-Third Judicial District retain the discretion to limit the number of people in a courtroom as health and safety conditions or circumstances necessitate while ensuring the courts remain open and accessible.
3. The requirement that all persons wear facial coverings in the courthouse and courtroom is lifted. Although the use of facial coverings is no longer a requirement, continued use of facial coverings in compliance with current CDC guidelines is encouraged. Judges retain the discretion to require the use of facial coverings generally or in specific case, particularly cases involving persons in the

courtroom who are at an elevated risk from Covid-19. Any person desiring to wear a facial covering shall be allowed to do so.

4. The courts of the Twenty-Third Judicial District are encouraged to utilize technology when reasonably feasible to conduct business by means other than in-person court proceedings reducing the need for in-person contact.

ALL OF THE FOREGOING IS AN ORDER OF THIS COURT.

Entered on this the 20th day of May, 2021



LARRY J. WALLACE
Presiding Circuit Court Judge
23rd Judicial District, Division II