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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BRUNSWICK
JUDICIAL DISTRICT 13B

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
21-R-67

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
COVID-19 UPDATED COURT OPERATIONS PROCEDURE AS OF MAY 14, 2021**

NOW COMES the undersigned Senior Resident Superior Court Judge and enters this Administrative Order concerning updated Court operations.

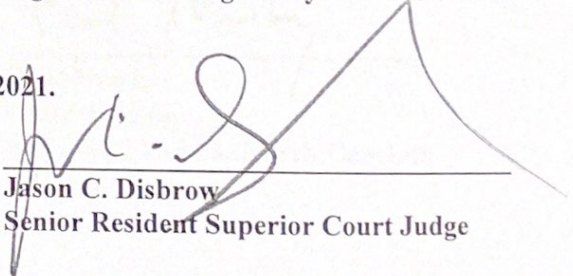
IT APPEARING TO THE COURT that the Chief Justice has issued an amendment today (May 14, 2021) regarding his May 10, 2021 order. Said amendment (attached hereto) eliminates Emergency Directive 21 (requiring face coverings in court facilities). Pursuant to this amendment, the undersigned enters this Administrative Order to modify the previously entered Administrative Order (filed May 10, 2021).

EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH AND STATED HEREIN, THE MAY 10, 2021 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (and all attachments) SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

WHEREAS, in order to memorialize updated court operations for Brunswick County, the Court hereby enters the following Administrative Order:

1. Individuals entering the courthouse shall no longer be required to wear face coverings upon entry. Face coverings are still encouraged for all unvaccinated persons and the county manager shall continue to provide the same at the entrance of the courthouse to ensure access to a face covering. Nothing herein shall prevent any individual from wearing a face covering if they so choose.

Entered in Chambers, This the 14th day of May, 2021.



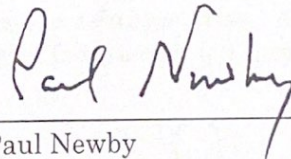
Jason C. Disbrow
Senior Resident Superior Court Judge

**14 MAY 2021 MODIFICATION
OF THE 10 MAY 2021 ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

In January of this year, I issued an order extending a number of emergency directives in response to the public health threat posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. As recognized in the 10 May 2021 order, the immediate threat of COVID-19 is lessening, and many aspects of life are moving toward pre-pandemic normal. Yesterday, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention modified its position regarding face coverings. I now modify the 10 May 2021 order to recognize that reality.

This modification eliminates Emergency Directive 21 that pertains to face coverings in court facilities and instead leaves that decision to the informed discretion of local court officials. The remaining emergency directives from the 10 May 2021 order will remain in place until they expire on 6 June 2021. Local court officials are in the best position to address health and safety concerns. Disagreements among local court officials over proposed safety precautions should be referred to the senior resident superior court judge for resolution.

This order modification becomes effective immediately. Issued this the 14th day of May, 2021.



Paul Newby
Chief Justice
Supreme Court of North Carolina