

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT 26  
MECKLENBURG COUNTY

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

FILED

IN RE: THE WEARING OF FACE  
COVERINGS

2021 JUL 27 P 3:35

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

MECKLENBURG CO., C.S.C.  
BY

**THIS ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER** is being entered to ensure the fair and proper administration of justice and to mitigate the disruption to the orderly operation of the Courts in the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District caused by COVID-19. The undersigned Senior Resident Superior Court Judge and Chief District Court Judge enter this Administrative Order pursuant to N.C.G.S. §7A-39 and the inherent authority of the Court.

Because of the recent sustained rise in the number of COVID-19 cases in Mecklenburg County, the increasing prevalence of the Delta variant of the Coronavirus in our community, the fact that the Delta variant is more contagious than previous variants, the fact that the Delta Variant tends to make people who contract it sicker, and

To protect the all persons who enter the courthouse, and

On the advice of the Director of Mecklenburg County Public Health


**WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED,**

Beginning Monday August 2, 2021 all persons who enter the Mecklenburg County Courthouse are required to wear a face covering while they are in the building. A “face covering” means a covering of the nose and mouth that is secured to the head with ties, straps, or loops over the ears or is simply wrapped around the lower face. This face-covering requirement does not apply to persons who cannot wear a face covering due to health or safety reasons, who are actively eating or drinking, who are communicating with someone who is hearing-impaired in a way that requires the mouth to be visible, who are temporarily removing their face covering to secure medical services or for identification purposes, or who are under eleven years of age.

This Order shall remain in effect until such time as it is rescinded by a subsequent order signed by both the Chief District Court Judge and Senior Resident Judge.

This 27th day of July 2021.

  
The Honorable Elizabeth T. Trosch  
Chief District Court Judge

  
The Honorable W. Robert Bell  
Senior Resident Superior Court Judge