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Local Administrative Order

10th Circuit Court 2023-06J Saginaw Probate Court 2023-06J 70th District Court 2023-08J

Rescinds Local Administrative Order Numbers 10th Circuit Court 2019-01J
Saginaw Probate Court 2019-1J

70th District Court 2019-03J

SECURITY POLICY FOR COURT FACILITIES

This administrative order is issued in accordance with Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2001-1. The purpose of this order is to address the presence of weapons and intoxicating substances in court facilities.

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. No weapons are allowed in the courthouse. This prohibition does not apply to the following:
 - a. court security personnel in the performance of their official duties;
 - b. uniformed or otherwise properly identified local, state, and federal law enforcement officers having statutory powers of arrest;
 - c. judges;
 - d. parole/probation officers;
 - e. Prosecutor and Assistant Prosecutors who are authorized by the Prosecutor or who have authority to carry under their statutory employment;
 - f. uniformed corrections officers in the performance of their duties; and
 - g. sworn special deputies or other law enforcement reserves in uniform who need to be armed to perform official duties.
- 2. No marijuana or other intoxicating substances are allowed in courthouse.
- 3. All persons and their belongings (unless specifically excepted) and all parcels are subject to screening by sheriff's deputies and/or security personnel for the purpose of preventing weapons and other prohibited or restricted items from entering the facility.
- 4. If at any time there is an articulable and reasonable suspicion that a weapon, marijuana, or other intoxicating substance may be found, a person or object is subject to search. The search shall be no more intrusive than necessary to protect against the dangers presented.
- 5. Notice shall be posted that "No weapons are permitted in this courthouse. All persons and parcels are subject to a search for weapons and other prohibited or restricted items as a condition of entry. Persons in violation of this order may be held in contempt of court."
- 6. Notice shall be posted that "No marijuana or other intoxicating substances are permitted in this Courthouse. All persons and parcels are subject to a search for marijuana and other intoxicating substances as a condition of entry. Persons in violation of this order may be held in contempt of court."
- 7. Marijuana use remains illegal and fully criminalized according to federal law, and the Saginaw County Trial Courts are subject to the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988. Employees, officials, contractors, and court users who violate Court policy prohibiting the use or possession of illegal drugs on Court facilities will continue to be subject to legal and disciplinary action.

Persons in violation of this order may be held in contempt of court. 8.

Date: 12 6 2023

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Hon. Julie A. Gafkay
CHIEF CIRCUIT JUDGE

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Hon. Patrick J. McGraw, CHIEF PROBATE JUDGE