



## United States District Court

### District of Minnesota

John R. Tunheim, Chief Judge

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St. Paul, MN 55101

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Courthouse and Federal  
Building  
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Suite 212  
Fergus Falls, MN 56537

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## NEWS RELEASE

### United States District Court for the District of Minnesota COVID-19 Update – Update to Clerk’s Office

Minneapolis, MN – Due to the recent increase in COVID-19 cases in Minnesota, the court will implement updates to its public facing operations effective Monday, November 9 through December 31, 2020:

- a. The Clerk’s Office remains open to assist attorneys and the public by telephone, email, and online chat from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.
- b. The Clerk’s Office intake desks in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, and Fergus Falls will be closed to the public.
- c. The Clerk’s Office will continue to accept electronic filings in civil and criminal cases through electronic case filing system (CM/ECF) and online payments through [www.pay.gov](http://www.pay.gov).
- d. The Clerk’s Office will continue to accept filings and payments by check and money order through the U.S. Mail. Instructions for mailing documents to the Court or utilizing an in-person dropbox may be found in the General Order from Chief Judge John R. Tunheim [here](#).

Please review the attached orders for more specific details [HERE](#).

The Court continues to monitor the most current statements from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), as well as all communications disseminated by the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts (AO), regarding the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). The Court is following recommended guidelines from



public health officials and preparedness guidance from the AO, including requiring face coverings for anyone entering the courthouse, cancelling or postponing all non-essential events and travel, increasing sanitation efforts in all courtrooms and public spaces, and continuing to provide remote working options for staff.

Additional questions can be directed to Public Information Officer, Rebeccah Parks at [Rebeccah Parks@mnd.uscourts.gov](mailto:Rebeccah.Parks@mnd.uscourts.gov).

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