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Administrative Order 2004-1

SECURITY POLICY FOR COURT FACILITIES

IT IS ORDERED:

This Administrative Order is issued in accordance with MCR 8.112(B), effective March 1985. The purpose of this Order is to describe the 36th District Court's security policy prohibiting weapons, chemical irritants, explosives, drugs, other illegal items, film or electronic recording devices on the 36th District Court's building premises.

In accordance with the Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 2001-1, no weapons, chemical irritants, explosives drugs or any other illegal items are allowed on the 36th District Court building premises at any time. This prohibition does not apply to court security personnel, bailiffs or court officers in the performance of their official duties or law enforcement officers who are transporting prisoners or are acting in the performance of their official duties. The Chief Judge may authorize additional exceptions in extraordinary circumstances.

Due to the potential for unauthorized recording of court proceedings, all film or electronic recording devices are also prohibited from 36th District Court building premises. All persons shall be prohibited from entering the 36th District Court while in possession of cameras, video cameras, video recorders, tape recorders, cell phones with photographic, video or audio recording capabilities or any other device equipped with camera or recording features.

Media representatives may request permission to record Court proceedings by submitting the SCAO approved Request & Notice for Film and Electronic Media Coverage of Court Proceeding form MC-27 (2/89) to the Court Administrator not less than three business days prior to the proceeding as per Supreme Court Administrative Order 1989-1. The judge presiding over the applicable court proceeding has the sole discretion to exclude, terminate, suspend or limit film or electronic media coverage. All other exceptions shall be presented to the Chief Judge for his or her approval.

Acting in accordance with the 36th District Court's Local Administrative Order 2001-1 (Order to Conduct Searches & Court Security) all persons and their belongings (unless specifically excepted) and all parcels are subject to screening by law enforcement officers and court security personnel for the purpose of keeping weapons, chemical irritants, explosives, drugs, other illegal items, film or electronic recording devices from entering the facility. Any person entering or exiting the building after normal business hours will be required sign in/out the After Hours Security Log.

Effective Date: February 1, 2004

Date: January 23, 2004

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