

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

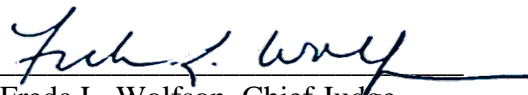
**IN RE: CLOSING OF THE** :  
**NEWARK VICINAGE COURTHOUSES** : **STANDING ORDER NO. 2020-05**  
**OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT** :  
**COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF** :  
**NEW JERSEY** :

**STANDING ORDER**

The Court has been informed that several federal employees who work in the Martin Luther King and Frank R. Lautenberg U.S. Courthouses (“Newark Courthouses”), located in Newark, New Jersey, have tested positive for COVID-19. To swiftly ensure the health and safety of the public, jurors, grand jurors, court and agency staff and judicial officers, from exposure to or spread of the disease;

With the concurrence of the Court Security Committee and the Executive Committee, the U.S. Marshal, and the Clerk of the Court, in consultations with GSA, it is **ORDERED** that both Newark Courthouses in Newark, New Jersey shall be **CLOSED** from Thursday, March 26, 2020, through Monday, April 6, 2020. No one will be permitted to enter the building during this closure with the exception of authorized cleaning personnel. This Standing Order does not affect the operation of the two courthouses in the Trenton and Camden Vicinages. The United States District Court for the District of New Jersey otherwise remains open for official business. The Court’s Electronic Case Filing (ECF) system is not affected by the closure, and parties may continue to file electronically.

DATED: March 26, 2020

  
Freda L. Wolfson, Chief Judge  
United States District Court  
District of New Jersey