



County of DeSoto
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**NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE JURORS OF DESOTO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY COURT JUDGE ALLEN B. COUCH, JR.**

**RE: MISSISSIPPI SUPREME COURT EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER #11 COVID-19 COMPLIANCE**

The DeSoto County Circuit Clerk's Office and Judges wish to assure you that every precaution is being implemented to maintain your personal health during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Common areas are disinfected regularly during the day; this includes restrooms, door handles, hand rails and seating areas. Before your arrival to our Courthouse we will also disinfect all pens, clipboards, number paddles and juror badges that you may handle. We will also be doing our best to practice social distancing during all court proceedings.

We are asking that upon entry to the Courthouse, you wear a face covering. If you have your own face covering available, please bring that with you.

If you are in any of the categories below, please contact the Clerk's office immediately and be prepared to submit written documentation if:

- Experiencing ANY Covid-19 symptoms or have had direct exposure to someone diagnosed with Covid-19 in the last fourteen (14) days
- Have an illness that makes you incapable of performing jury service
- Attendance would cause undue or extreme physical hardship to you or someone under your care i.e. impossibility of obtaining an appropriate substitute caregiver
- Attendance would cause undue or extreme financial hardship to you or someone under your care i.e. incur costs that would have a substantial adverse impact on the payment of an individual's necessary daily living expenses or those that he or she provides the principal means of support

Please immediately contact the Clerk's Office if you choose to be exempt from jury service because:

- You are over sixty-five (65) years of age or
- You have served on a petit jury in this Court since August 2018