

1 "The term 'Federal court facility' means the courtroom, judges'
2 chambers, witness rooms, jury deliberation rooms, attorney
3 conference rooms, prisoner holding cells, offices of the court
4 clerks, the United States attorney, and the United States
5 Marshal, probation and parole offices, and adjoining corridors
6 of any court of the United States."

7 Courtroom floors include the 7th, 8th, and 9th floors of the
8 Thomas S. Foley United States Courthouse in Spokane, the 2nd and 3rd
9 floors of the United States Post Office Building in Spokane, the 1st,
10 2nd, and 3rd floors of the William O. Douglas Courthouse in Yakima,
11 and the 2nd floor of the United States Bankruptcy Court-Chinook
12 Tower, and the 1st and 2nd floors of the United States Courthouse in
13 Richland, Washington. Courtroom floors also include any other
14 floor, not listed above, of any Federal court facility where court
15 may be held from time to time.

16 **ENTERING AND LEAVING THE UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE**

17 Entry into and exit from (except emergency) any United States
18 Courthouse is restricted to designated doors only.

19 No person having access to any United States Courthouse or
20 Federal court facility or any secure areas via key, key card, or
21 other device used to open doors or to call elevators, shall permit
22 unauthorized persons access to any building or any elevator,
23 locked stairwell door, or other locked door.

24 **SCREENING**

25 Employees of the United States Marshal's Service, or persons
26 so designated by the United States Marshal, shall operate x-ray
27 units and walk-through metal detectors for the purpose of
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1 screening all persons who enter any United States Courthouse or
2 Federal court facility.

3 All persons entering any United States Courthouse or Federal
4 court facility, including United States government employees,
5 shall submit to a screening for dangerous weapons or dangerous
6 devices by passing through the metal detectors operated by
7 employees of the United States Marshal's Service or designees and
8 shall submit to further screening or search if the metal detector
9 registers a reading which, in the opinion of the operator,
10 requires such further screening. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §
11 930 (g) (2) ,

12 "The term 'dangerous weapon' means a weapon, device,
13 instrument, material, or substance, animate or inanimate,
14 that is used for, or is readily capable of, causing death or
15 serious bodily injury, except that such term does not include
16 a pocket knife with a blade of less than 2 ½ inches in
17 length."

18 No persons refusing to submit to such screening for dangerous
19 weapons or other dangerous devices will be permitted to enter.

20 All persons entering any United States Courthouse or Federal
21 court facility who are carrying, delivering, or otherwise
22 transporting any briefcase, suitcase, purse, package, or other
23 container (including mail and items delivered by private carrier)
24 shall surrender any such item for screening for dangerous weapons
25 or dangerous devices through x-ray device and/or personal
26 inspection by employees of the United States Marshal's Service or
27 designee.

28 No persons refusing to surrender any briefcase, suitcase,

1 purse, package, or other container (including mail or private
2 carrier items) for screening will be permitted access to the
3 facility.

4 **PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES**

5 All forms, means, and manner of capturing, recording,
6 broadcasting, transmitting, and/or storing of anything by use of
7 electronic, photographic, audio and/or visual means are prohibited
8 in all courtrooms and environs thereto during the course of, or in
9 connection with, any judicial proceedings whether the Court is
actually in session or not.

10 Exceptions: A district, magistrate or bankruptcy judge may
11 permit:

12 a) the use of electronic or photographic devices for the
13 presentation of evidence or the perpetuation of the record;

14 b) the broadcasting, televising, recording or photographing
15 of investitive, ceremonial, naturalization, or historically
significant proceedings; and

16 c) subject to the prohibitions contained above, the use of an
17 unobtrusive handheld dictating device by counsel or
18 unrepresented parties for use in dictating notes or reminders
19 during trial. It is not to be used to record any part of the
20 proceedings.

21 **COMPUTERS, CELLULAR PHONES, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT**

22 Unless otherwise ordered by the court, laptop computers,
23 personal digital assistants (PDAs), Blackberries for email
24 purposes and pagers may be used in the courtroom provided they
25 emit no sound and are not disruptive to the proceedings. Cellular
26 phones are prohibited from use in the courtroom. However, unless
27 otherwise ordered by the Court, cellular phones may be utilized in
the hallways, lobbies, and other areas of the environs. Any

1 device which has the potential to emit sound or be disruptive to
2 Court proceedings must be turned off or set on silent mode in the
3 courtroom. The use of this equipment is permissible within a
4 judge's chambers at the discretion of the judge. The use of any
5 device described in this section or any other device for the
6 purposes described in the "Prohibited Activities" Section is
7 strictly prohibited.

8 All such items allowed into any United States Courthouse or
9 Federal court facility are subject to inspection upon each entry.

10 WEAPONS

11 Courtrooms:

12 Only United States Marshals and United States Court Security
13 Officers are allowed in courtrooms with weapons. All other law
14 enforcement officers attending court proceedings must secure all
15 firearms and dangerous weapons with the United States Marshal's
16 Service.

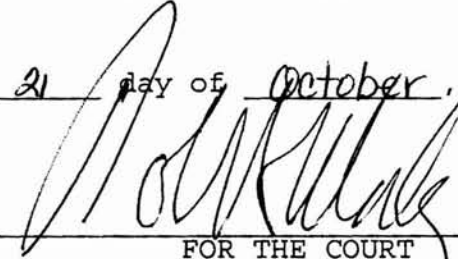
17 Courthouses:

18 No one other than an authorized law enforcement officer with
19 proper permits may bring or attempt to bring a firearm or other
20 dangerous weapon into any of the buildings referred to in this
21 Order. Other than U.S. Marshals, U.S. Court Security Officers,
22 Federal Protective Service police officers and contract guards and
23 Federal law enforcement officers with offices within the United
24 States Courthouse or Federal court facility, all law enforcement
25 officers must secure all firearms and dangerous weapons with the
26 United States Marshal's Service. Federal law enforcement
27 officers, with offices in the United States Courthouse or Federal
28 court facility, shall secure their firearms in their offices.

1 In the event of an emergency situation and in response
2 thereto, the U.S. Marshal or his designee may waive the
3 restrictions identified above on allowing weapons into a
4 courthouse or federal court facility.

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6 This order was approved by a majority of the Article III
7 judges of the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington,
8 on October 6, 2005. The order shall take effect immediately.

9 DATED this 21 day of October, 2005.

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12 FOR THE COURT
13 ROBERT H. WHALEY
14 CHIEF, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

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