



**THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF MICHIGAN**

ROBERT J. COLOMBO, JR.
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STATE OF MICHIGAN

**THIRD CIRCUIT COURT LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2017 – 13J
WAYNE COUNTY PROBATE COURT LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2017– 04J**

SUBJECT: SECURITY POLICY FOR COURTHOUSES

This Order rescinds and replaces Third Circuit Court Local Administrative Order 2012-07J and Wayne County Probate Court Local Administrative Order 2012-01J.

They issue this Local Administrative Order in accordance with Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 2001-1. The purpose of this order is to address the presence of weapons in court facilities.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. No weapons are allowed in Third Circuit or Wayne County Probate Court courthouses, including but not limited to, the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center (2 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan), the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice (1441 St. Antoine, Detroit, Michigan), the Lincoln Hall of Justice (1025 E. Forest Avenue, Detroit, Michigan), and that part of the Penobscot Building (645 Griswold, Detroit, Michigan) that houses the Friend of the Court, and also any court satellite office.

(a) This prohibition does not apply to Wayne County Sheriff's Deputies or Detroit Police Officers in the performance of their official duties, or to law enforcement officers appearing for court in the performance of their official duties only. All such officers shall report to the Wayne County Sheriff's office in each building. Identification and documentation related to the officer's court appearance or official duties on that day shall be required.

(b) Local Court Rule 8.115 of the Third Circuit Court (Courthouse Decorum) prohibits the taking of photographs and making of recordings. Officers appearing for court in performance of their official duties may wear their uniforms that are equipped with body cameras in these courthouses. However, officers may not record any activities in courthouse and courtroom absent express permission of the court, except if an officer witnesses and intervenes in the commission of an assaultive crime.

(c) Officers appearing at any Third Circuit or Wayne County Probate Court courthouse, including those listed in this section, on any personal matter may not carry a weapon or wear their uniform in these courthouses. The Chief Judge of the Third Circuit or Wayne County Probate Court may authorize an exception in extraordinary circumstances.

2. Except as provided in section 1, all persons and their belongings and all parcels are subject to screening by the Wayne County Sheriff's Deputies or other designated security personnel, for the purposes of keeping weapons from entering the courthouse.


(a) If at any time there is an articulable and reasonable suspicion that a weapon may be found, a person or object is subject to search. The search shall be no more intrusive than necessary to protect against the dangers presented.

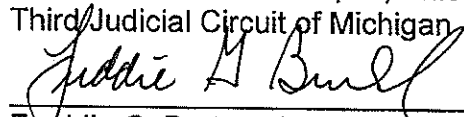
3. Notice shall be posted as follows:

"No weapons are permitted in the following Wayne County courthouses: the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center (2 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan), the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice (1441 St. Antoine, Detroit, Michigan), the Lincoln Hall of Justice, (1025 E. Forest Avenue, Detroit, Michigan) and that part of the Penobscot Building (645 Griswold, Detroit, Michigan) that houses the Friend of the Court, or any court satellite offices.

All persons and parcels are subject to a search for weapons and restricted items as a condition of entry. Persons in violation of this order may be held in contempt of court."

Dated: October 13, 2017



Hon. Robert J. Colombo, Jr., Chief Judge
Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan


Freddie G. Burton, Jr., Chief Judge
Wayne County Probate Court

Date Approved by SCAO: December 14, 2017