REQUIREMENT TO WEAR FACE COVERING DURING COVID-19 THREAT

Amended March 20, 2023

Effective March 20, 2023, and until further notice, wearing a face covering will not be required in San Francisco Superior Court facilities — with the exception of courtrooms where a judge, based on the circumstances for a proceeding, requires it or in the four other exceptions described below. If an employee is required to wear a mask under any of the exceptions, the employee must follow the policy described below or be subject to the disciplinary steps as outlined.

FOUR EXCEPTIONS WHERE AN EMPLOYEE MUST WEAR A MASK:

- 1. In an outbreak (three or more COVID-19 cases among employees in an exposed group within a 14-day period), all employees in the exposed group, regardless of vaccination status, must wear face coverings until the "outbreak" is resolved.
- 2. In a major outbreak (20 or more COVID-19 cases in an exposed group within a 30-day period), all employees in the exposed group, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a respirator (provided by the Court) or a face covering until the "outbreak" is resolved.
- 3. Employees who had close contact with a COVID-19 positive case should wear a well-fitting mask when around others for 10 days after they had the close contact.
- 4. Employees who tested positive but met the requirements for leaving isolation and returning to work after 5 days should continue to wear a well-fitting mask when around others for 10 days from the date of symptoms onset.