

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

**DIVISIONAL STANDING ORDER**

**REGARDING PLANO COURTHOUSE CLOSURE UNTIL APRIL 2, 2020**

This Divisional Standing Order responds to recent information that an individual with a presumptive positive diagnosis for the COVID-19 coronavirus visited the Plano Courthouse on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at approximately 10:00 a.m. As a precautionary measure, and to protect the health and safety of court employees, parties having business with the court, and the public, **the Plano Courthouse for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas - located at 7940 Preston Road in Plano, Texas, is hereby ORDERED CLOSED** effective Wednesday, March 18, 2020, through Wednesday, April 1, 2020.

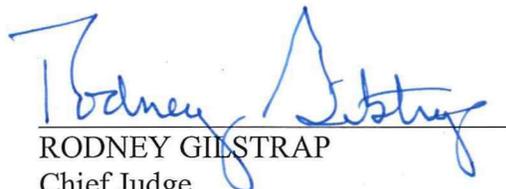
All civil and criminal matters scheduled for an in-Court appearance before any district or magistrate judge in the Plano Courthouse, including any associated deadlines, are CONTINUED until further notification.

The United States District Clerk's Office and the Courthouse in Sherman, Texas, remain open, in addition to the Clerk's Offices and Courthouses in Beaumont, Lufkin, Marshall, Texarkana and Tyler, Texas, all subject to the limitations described in the Court's General Orders 20-03 and 20-04. Electronic filing in the CM/ECF system remains available.

Plano Courthouse staff will practice self-isolation for the next 14 days and telework. Plano Courthouse visitors who were present at the Courthouse at 10:00 a.m. or thereafter on March 18, 2020, are recommended to practice self-isolation, monitor for symptoms and seek medical attention as a precaution, as directed by their healthcare provider.

**FOR THE COURT:**

**SO ORDERED and SIGNED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.**

  
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RODNEY GILSTRAP  
Chief Judge