

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

IN RE:

RESTRICTIONS/ENTRY PROTOCOL DUE TO  
COVID 19 ON VISITORS TO COURTHOUSES

MISC. No. 20-\_\_\_\_\_

**STANDING ORDER**

**VISITORS ENTRY PROTOCOL DUE TO COVID 19**

Considering the COVID 19 (coronavirus) outbreak, and based on the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) advise on precautionary measures to prevent illness spreading and increase chances of possible exposure to the virus, it is hereby ORDERED:

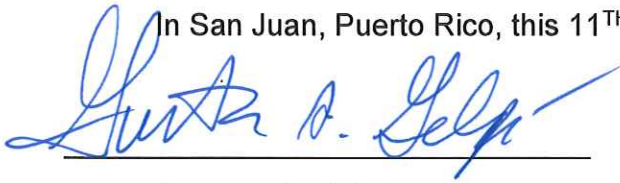
Effective March 16, 2020, the following persons shall not be allowed to enter the Clemente Ruiz Nazario Courthouse and the Federico Degetau Federal Office Building in Hato Rey; the José V. Toledo Courthouse in Old San Juan; and the federal and bankruptcy courts located at the MCS Building in Ponce, Puerto Rico:

- Visitors. Only those conducting business related matters will be allowed to enter the buildings. This rule is to be strictly observed, despite the Toledo Courthouse in Old San Juan being designated as a historical site and frequently visited by tourists.
- For those attending court proceedings of a family member or acquaintance, only two (2) attendants per person will be allowed. Bar members are to instruct their clients accordingly.
- All currently scheduled educational commitments will remain as planned.

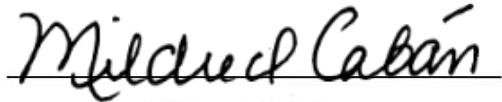
These restrictions will remain in effect until April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 11<sup>TH</sup> of March 2020.

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Gustavo A. Gelpí  
Chief, US District Judge

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mildred Cabán", written over a horizontal line.

Mildred Cabán  
Chief, Bankruptcy Judge