

FROM THE CHAMBERS OF ROBERT BRUTINEL
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RE: Access to Court During COVID

Dear Mr. Leslie:

Thank you for writing. I agree that media coverage of court proceedings is necessary and important. During this health emergency, I meet frequently with the presiding judges from around the state and have discussed with them the importance of allowing media attendance whenever possible. While I have verbally advised the presiding judges, additionally, I have revised the Health Emergency Administrative Order as reflected in the enclosed Order.

Sincerely,

Robert Brutinel

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