

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI**

IN RE: )  
  ) FIREARMS POLICY  
BUSINESS OF THE COURT )

**Administrative Order**

By direction of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, the designated Lead Tenant Agency of the Thomas F. Eagleton and Rush H. Limbaugh Courthouses under Executive Order 12977 and Appendix D of the 2021 Department of Homeland Security Interagency Security Standards,

The Court orders that the following Firearms Policy has been adopted by the Facilities Security Committee:

(1) No person other than United States Marshals Service employees, Court Security Officers, and those persons authorized under paragraph 2 of this Order are authorized to carry a firearm in the United States Courthouse or any Federal Building housing a United States Courthouse or any Federal Building housing a United States Court; this includes any underground parking facility or any employee parking area adjacent to the Courthouse; and

(2) Courthouse Tenants who are authorized by federal law to carry firearms in the official performance of their duties, or are expressly authorized in writing by the Chief Judge, are permitted to enter the United States Courthouse wearing or otherwise carrying a firearm and are permitted to wear or carry said firearm to their office, where the firearm must be safely stored in accordance with their agency’s policy and must not be worn or otherwise carried into a Courtroom; and

(3) A concealed carry endorsement or permit issued by a state or political subdivision of a state, or under any local law does not authorize the permit holder to wear or otherwise carry any firearm in any U.S. Courthouse in the Eastern District of Missouri; and

(4) The Court directs the United States Marshals Service to enforce this Order and, in so doing, to provide a secure area for the deposit of firearms of law enforcement officers who wish or are required to be present in the United States Courthouse. After all law enforcement officers deposit his/her weapons(s), they must submit to security screening before entering.

SO ORDERED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2023.

  
STEPHEN R. CLARK  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE