

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA

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NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA  
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IN RE  
COURT HOUSE SMOKING POLICY

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
NO. 1452

On August 9, 1997, President Clinton issued Executive Order 13058 which prohibits the smoking of tobacco products in the interior space of buildings under the control of the federal government. Although the Executive Order does not apply to the Judicial branch of government, the Judges in the Northern District of Iowa are in agreement with the stated purpose of the Order which is "... to establish a smoke-free environment for (Judicial) employees and member of the public visiting or using (the Federal court houses)."

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED

That effective January 1, 2000 smoking shall be prohibited in all areas of the court houses in the Northern District of Iowa. This shall include all corridors, rest rooms, offices, jury rooms, canteens, witness rooms, conference rooms, and any other areas accessible to the public and/or employees who work at the court houses in the Northern District of Iowa.

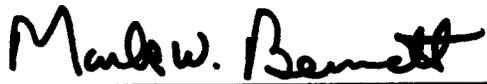
The only exception to this policy is that smoking may be allowed in those areas which are specifically designated as smoking areas and which have been properly ventilated in a manner which provides non-smokers, to the fullest extent possible, with protection from exposure to environmental tobacco smoke. All such exceptions shall be in writing and signed by the Chief Judge.

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Outside the court houses, smoking is permitted, although not encouraged. Smokers are urged not to smoke directly in front of entrances so that non-smokers have to walk through, or otherwise be exposed to, smoke or the residue thereof. If it is determined that employees and visitors are unduly exposed to tobacco smoke, further restrictions may be implemented at a future date.

Ordered this *23rd* day of *Nov*, 1999.

  
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Michael J. Melloy, Chief Judge  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

  
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Mark W. Bennett, Judge  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT