

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA  
DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF

EXERCISE OF ADJOINING DISTRICT  
JURISDICTION BY UNITED STATES  
MAGISTRATE JUDGES

Northern District of Iowa  
**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIVE  
ORDER**  
No. 17-AO-0010-P

District of Nebraska  
**GENERAL ORDER**  
No. 2017-03

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 631(a), and in accordance with actions taken by the Judicial Conference of the United States on March 23, 2000,

IT IS ORDERED that the full-time magistrate judge at Sioux City in the Northern District of Iowa is authorized to serve in the adjoining District of Nebraska; and

This authorization being given for the purpose of carrying out any of the duties of magistrate judges specified in 28 U.S.C., 18 U.S.C., and the Local Rules and administrative or general orders of the Northern District of Iowa and the District of Nebraska and is made by the concurrence of a majority of the judges of each of the district courts involved.

Dated this 12th day of September, 2017.

  
LAURIE SMITH CAMP, Chief Judge  
District of Nebraska

  
LEONARD T. STRAND, Chief Judge  
Northern District of Iowa

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

IN RE CELL PHONES,  
COMPUTERS, ELECTRONIC  
READERS, CAMERAS, AUDIO  
RECORDERS, AND WIRELESS  
COMMUNICATION DEVICES IN  
THE COURTHOUSES OF THE  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA

**PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

**No. 17-AO-0008-P  
(Supercedes No. 07-AO-0009-P)**

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The following rules govern the use of cell phones, computers, electronic readers, cameras, audio recorders, and wireless communication devices (herein collectively referred to as “the devices”) in the courthouses in the Northern District of Iowa.

The devices are not allowed in the courthouses of the Northern District of Iowa with the following exceptions:

1. Employees of the courthouse tenants may bring the devices into the courthouse with no limitations except those imposed by the employer.
2. Any person who is being escorted by an employee of a courthouse tenant, provided the device(s) may not be taken into a courtroom and may not be activated or used other than in the tenant’s space, subject to any restrictions imposed by the tenant in the tenant’s space.
3. Approved contractors present in the courthouse to perform work for tenants, licensed attorneys, and law enforcement agents may bring the devices into the courthouse, provided:
  - (a) The devices are turned off while in a courtroom (except the devices may be used in a courtroom to view, play, or display exhibits offered in any proceeding);

- (b) The devices are disabled from making an audible sound or making audio or video recordings when the person is present in or in the vicinity of a courtroom, except when being used in the courtroom to view, play, or display exhibits offered in any proceeding;
- (c) The devices are not used to photograph the person of, or record the voice of, any person in the courthouse (except as may be authorized by any tenant of the courthouse within that tenant's leased space);
- (d) The devices are not used to transmit testimony or any photographs during a court proceeding; and
- (e) The approved contractor, licensed attorney, or law enforcement agent does not allow another person to use any such device unless that other person would be authorized to use a similar device under these rules.

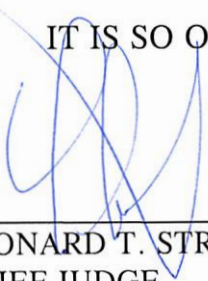
4. A person selected to serve on a petit or grand jury panel may bring a cell phone or electronic reader into the courthouse provided:

- (a) The cell phone or electronic reader is not brought into the courtroom or grand jury room;
- (b) The cell phone or electronic reader is disabled from making an audible sound;
- (c) The cell phone or electronic reader is not used to take any photograph or make any audio or video recording;
- (d) The cell phone or electronic reader is only used at breaks in the proceedings; and
- (e) Any petit juror must surrender the cell phone or electronic reader to the Clerk of Court while the jury is in deliberations.

5. In addition to any other federal or state statutes, failure to comply with this Order is punishable by criminal contempt under 18 U.S.C § 401, by fine or imprisonment or both.

This Order is effective immediately.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.



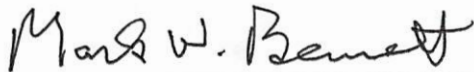
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LEONARD T. STRAND  
CHIEF JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA



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LINDA R. READE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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C.J. WILLIAMS  
CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA



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KELLY K.E. MAHONEY  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA