

STATE OF INDIANA)
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COUNTY OF ALLEN)

IN THE ALLEN SUPERIOR COURT
IN THE ALLEN CIRCUIT COURT

IN RE: BAN ON CELLULAR TELEPHONES, PAGERS, AND OTHER
ELECTRONIC DEVICES

WHEREAS, the Allen Superior Court and the Allen Circuit Court have a duty to maintain the orderly administration of justice for the benefit of all persons who use the Allen County Courts and the premises contiguous thereto, including, but not limited to the general public, litigants, and persons employed within the Allen County Courthouse and all other Allen County Court property; and

WHEREAS, the possession of cellular telephones, pagers, and other electronic devices in the premises above described, excepting attorneys and employees displaying Court approved identification badges, is contrary to maintaining the orderly administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, the possession of cellular telephones, pagers, and other electronic devices serves no public interest in the orderly administration of justice and is contrary to the best interests of justice; and

WHEREAS, the unauthorized possession of cellular telephones, pagers, and other electronic devices impedes the duty of the Courts of Allen County to provide for the safety and security of all persons lawfully upon the premises above described; and

WHEREAS, to provide for the safety and security of the general public, litigants, and persons employed within the Allen County Courthouse and all other Allen County Court property, the Courts of Allen County have determined that it is of paramount importance and now necessary to ban all cellular telephones, pagers, and other electronic devices from the premises above described.

NOW, THEREFORE:

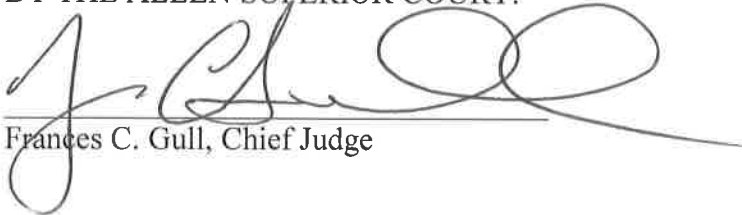
IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that no person, excepting attorneys and employees displaying Court approved identification badges, shall possess cellular telephones, pagers, and other electronic devices in the Allen County Courthouse and all other Allen County Court property.

The Sheriff of Allen County is authorized to conduct non-invasive searches of persons and property entering the premises above described for the presence of cellular telephones, pagers, and other electronic devices in furtherance of the order herein. Such property, if discovered, may be confiscated and destroyed.

The Sheriff of Allen County is authorized to arrest and bring before the Court all persons failing or refusing to abide by the Order herein to answer and show cause why the Court should not hold said persons in contempt of the Order herein.

JOINTLY ORDERED this 31st day of January, 2025.

BY THE ALLEN SUPERIOR COURT:



Frances C. Gull, Chief Judge

BY THE ALLEN CIRCUIT COURT



Ashley N. Hand, Judge