

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Media Information

The outline attached to this notice provides specific information relating to the upcoming appearances in cases related to the alleged nationwide college admissions scheme, including how to request courtroom seating. Courtroom seating will be limited and an overflow media courtroom will be used when requests exceed courtroom capacity.

The District of Massachusetts maintains a Media Page on the Court's website that contains information of particular interest to media organizations. That page may be found at:

<http://www.mad.uscourts.gov/general/media.htm>

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MEDIA COVERAGE OF COURT PROCEEDINGS

All information provided in this notice is to be used for background purposes only.

A valid government-issued photo ID such as a driver's license or US Passport is required to enter the John Joseph Moakley Courthouse. Only members of the media with valid credentials issued by the Office of the Clerk will be permitted to bring electronic devices into the courthouse. Media credential applications are on our media page.

LOCAL RULE 83.3(a): PHOTOGRAPHING, RECORDING AND BROADCASTING

Local Rule 83.3(a) provides: “Except as specifically provided in these rules or by order of the court, no person shall take any photograph, make any recording, or make any broadcast by any means, in the course of or in connection with any proceedings in this court, on any floor of any building on which proceedings of this court are or, in the regular course of the business of the court, may be held.”

Violations of this rule may result in the suspension or revocation of the media credentials of an individual or media organization and the imposition of other sanctions upon court order.

Media requests for courtroom seating must be directed to:

<https://public.mad.uscourts.gov/media-signup.html>

The Court provides information via:

Daily Calendar: <http://www.mad.uscourts.gov/boston/boston-calendar.htm>

Media Page: <http://www.mad.uscourts.gov/general/media.htm>

Virtual Press Box (VPB) – provides e-mail notification of filings in cases of interest, identified by the account holder. Information on registering for a Virtual Press Box is available on the media webpage. NOTE: only members of the media with valid credentials issued by the Office of the Clerk may apply for and receive a VPB account.

PACER – electronic public records <https://www.pacer.gov>

Court staff cannot comment on litigation pending before the court. Court staff are authorized only to provide information relating to the documents filed in the case and the court schedule, that is, only information that is available online, through our public website (www.mad.uscourts.gov), or through PACER.

INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

Boston Transportation Department – Parking permits for media trucks	Contact BTM at 617-635-4680 x4675 http://www.cityofboston.gov/transportation
Inclement Weather Affecting Court Proceedings	Check the court’s website after 6AM (www.mad.uscourts.gov). Also, jury trials at the Moakley Courthouse are canceled for the day if Boston Public Schools are closed due to weather
Courtroom WiFi service	Courtroom Connect 877-838-9067
PACER	www.pacer.gov
Media Credentials – U.S. District Court	http://www.mad.uscourts.gov/general/media.htm The completed application with original signatures – no copies – submitted to the clerk’s office.
Virtual Press Box	(login) https://ecf.mad.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/login.pl (Application) http://www.mad.uscourts.gov/general/media.htm
Media Courtroom	Courtroom 6 on the 3 rd floor
Email Address	mailto:media@mad.uscourts.gov
Courtroom Seating	Reporters/Media outlets may request courtroom seating through the link provided. Seating is not guaranteed. Seating is limited in the main courtroom but live streaming of the proceedings will be provided in overflow locations. We will notify you with your seating location.
Courtroom Decorum	ALL COURTROOMS, INCLUDING MAIN, MEDIA, & OVERFLOW COURTROOMS • No food or beverage is allowed. • Observers shall remove hats. • All observers shall remain quiet while court is in session. • No cell phones are to be used for oral communications. MAIN COURTROOM ONLY • All keyboards must be silent.