



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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## INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

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| Boston Transportation Department<br>– Parking Permits For Media Trucks | Contact BTD at 617-635-4680 x4675<br><a href="http://www.cityofboston.gov/transportation/">http://www.cityofboston.gov/transportation/</a>  |
| Inclement Weather Affecting Court<br>Proceedings                       | Check the court’s website after 6AM<br>( <a href="http://www.mad.uscourts.gov">www.mad.uscourts.gov</a> ).<br>Also, jury trials at the Moakley Courthouse are canceled<br>for the day if Boston Public Schools are closed due to<br>weather               |
| Courtroom WiFi service   | Courtroom Connect<br>877-838-9067   |
| PACER  | <a href="http://www.pacer.gov">www.pacer.gov</a>  |
| Media Credentials – U.S. District Court                                | <a href="http://www.mad.uscourts.gov/general/media.htm">http://www.mad.uscourts.gov/general/media.htm</a><br>The completed application with original signatures – no<br>copies – submitted to the clerk’s office.   |
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| Media Courtrooms   | Courtrooms 6 and 7 on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor   |
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| Courtroom Seating  | An email will be sent 12/2/14 asking for names of media<br>outlets requesting seats in the main courtroom. Pooling<br>arrangements will be considered when assigning seating.   |
| Courtroom Decorum  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All keyboards must be silent in the main courtroom</li> <li>• No food or drink is allowed in <u>any</u> courtroom</li> <li>• No cell phones to be used (for oral communications)<br/>in any courtroom</li> </ul> |