

Advisory Regarding Media and Public Access

United States v. Bannon, 21-CR-00670 (CJN)

The following arrangements have been made to maximize public and media access to the trial in *United States v. Bannon*, 21-cr-00670 (CJN):

- 1. Access to Jury Selection: Jury selection will take place in the Ceremonial Courtroom. Public seating will be available, though it will be limited. At least one seat in the Ceremonial Courtroom may be reserved for designated media pool representatives, upon application to the Court's Media Liaison. The other seats for members of the public and media will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Absolutely no electronic devices may be used by the public or media in the Ceremonial Courtroom.
- 2. Access to Trial and Overflow Courtrooms: Public seating will be available in the trial courtroom (Courtroom 19). In addition, members of the public and media may observe video feeds of the trial proceedings from one or more designated overflow courtrooms. The location of overflow courtrooms will be posted in the Atrium of the Courthouse and other central locations each day of the trial. Seating will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Overflow courtrooms will open each day approximately 30 minutes before trial proceedings begin. Absolutely no electronic devices may be used by the public or media in the trial or overflow courtrooms.
- **3. Media Room**: Members of the media may observe a video feed of the trial proceedings from the Court's Media Room, located on the first floor of the E. Barrett Prettyman Courthouse (Room 1206) and must adhere to the posted "Media Room Rules of Use." The Media Room will open at 8:30 am each trial day, unless notice is posted indicating otherwise.
- **4. Prohibition on Photographing, Broadcasting, and Video and Audio Recording and Transmission of Court Proceedings**: Consistent with this Court's Local Rules and the Media Policy of the <u>U.S.</u> <u>Courts of the D.C. Circuit</u>, the use of electronic devices to take photographs, make audio or video recordings, or transmit live audio or video is prohibited at all times. *See* LCrR 53.1.1.
- **5. Sketch Artists**: Sketch artists seeking access to jury selection or the trial should contact the Media Liaison. Arrangements will depend upon space and availability of seats.
- **6. Lines**: Members of the media and public seeking access to any of the live or overflow courtrooms, or the Media Room, must wait in designated locations outside the rooms until seating is available. Signs will be posted indicating the designated locations for lines.
- **7. Entering the Courthouse**: To minimize delays for all those entering the Courthouse, members of the media are requested to use the John Marshall Park entrance, located near the Media Room.

- **8. Adjustments**: Adjustments to these arrangements may be made as necessary to maximize media and public access and assure fair opportunities for access for all interested parties.
- **9. Contact**: Questions about media and public access may be directed to the Court's Media Liaison Lisa Klem. She may be reached at 202-384-7306 or Lisa_Klem@dcd.uscourts.gov.

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