

**SUPREME COURT  
No. 2022-02**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**

*COVID-19 Pandemic Response – Wearing of Face Coverings*

The State of Rhode Island, like other states throughout the nation, has begun to see a notable decrease in COVID-19 cases and fatalities. Pandemic-related restrictions have concomitantly begun loosening throughout the state. In recognition of this positive trend, Executive Order 2021-06, which replaced § 2(A)(2) of Executive Order 2021-04, is hereby superseded in its entirety pursuant to the authority vested in me by G.L. 1956 § 8-15-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws. No person entering a judicial building shall be required to wear a face covering or mask, regardless of vaccination status. The remaining provisions of Executive Order 2021-04 shall continue in effect until further notice.

Entered as an Executive Order this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022.

BY ORDER

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Paul A. Suttell  
Chief Justice