



## Courthouse Security Assessment:

### Perimeter and Lighting

#### Level 1:

Are the external light switches accessible to staff only (no public access)?	Yes	No
Is there external lighting for all doors, windows, and sidewalks?	Yes	No
Is there external lighting in all parking areas?	Yes	No

#### Level 2:

Are external lights controlled automatically?	Yes	No
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### Parking and Building Exterior

#### Level 1:

Is there dedicated employee/judge parking at or near the building?	Yes	No
Are trash receptacles located along the building perimeter?	Yes	No
If yes, can they be moved away from the building?	Yes	No
Are there signs or paint marking judge exclusive parking?	Yes	No
If yes, can they be removed or painted over?	Yes	No

#### Level 2:

Is the building safeguarded from vehicle penetration?	Yes	No
If yes, please note indicate the method(s) of protection:		
Bollards	Yes	No
Planters	Yes	No
Large landscaping boulders	Yes	No
Other?	Yes	No
Does the parking area have CCTV monitoring?	Yes	No

#### Level 3:

Is judicial parking secured or monitored? (either by guard station or electronic access)	Yes	No
Is employee parking secured or monitored? (either by guard station or electronic access)	Yes	No
Does the parking area have active vehicle barriers to prevent vehicle penetration?	Yes	No
Are CCTV cameras actively monitored by security or law enforcement?	Yes	No

### Interior—Public Access Areas

#### Level 1:

Are all exterior doors and windows equipped with cylinder locks, deadbolts, or other secure locking mechanisms?	Yes	No
Are all exterior locks/doors/hinges installed in a manner to prevent manipulation?	Yes	No
Are all roof-top and crawl space accesses secured?	Yes	No
Are fire extinguishers located throughout the building?	Yes	No

### Level 2:

Is there an auxiliary power back up or generator in case of emergencies?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the building have a fire alarm?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the building have a sprinkler system?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 3:

Does the building have an intrusion alarm that monitors roof access and all perimeter doors?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do ground floor and sub floor accessible windows have glass break detectors?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is the alarm monitored by law enforcement or private security?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are all exterior windows installed in a manner as to prevent removal? (Applies to courthouses where windows may be easily removed from panes only)	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

## Interior—Screening

### Level 1:

Is a telephone installed in this area?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
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### Level 2:

Does the building have an electronic hand wand/magnetometer?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does law enforcement/private security conduct the screening?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is there is a duress alarm installed in this area?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the screening area have CCTV installed?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 3:

Does the building have an X-ray machine?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the building have an explosive detector?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the building have access to explosive detection canines?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are duress alarms monitored by private security/law enforcement?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are CCTVs monitored by private security/law enforcement?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

## Interior—Courtroom Security

### Level 1:

Are courtroom windows secured from outside viewing with window coverings?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is there a telephone installed in the courtroom?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the courtroom layout provide an obstacle separating judges and jurors from the gallery?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 2:

Is there emergency lighting in the courtroom?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are light switches restricted from public access?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is a duress alarm installed on the judge's bench?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is a duress alarm installed at the clerk's area?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 3:

Are exterior windows bullet resistant?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is the judges bench lined with ballistic armor panels?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are duress alarms monitored by private security/law enforcement?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is CCTV monitored by private security or law enforcement?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

## Interior—Chambers

### Level 1:

Are all entrances to the judge's chambers locked at all times?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the door leading from chambers have a wide-view peephole?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do judges keep firearm(s) in chambers?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
If yes, are those firearm(s) always secured?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 2:

Are duress alarms installed in the chambers?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do chambers have sufficient door strikes, intercoms, and screen monitors for entry?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are duress alarms installed in judicial staff areas?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 3:

Are duress alarms monitored by law enforcement or security?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is the corridor leading from courtroom to chambers secured from public access?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

## Interior— Other Court Offices and Annexes

### Level 1:

Are victim/witness rooms provided?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is public access to victim/witness rooms secured?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are routes for prisoner movements secured? (Hallways, stairs, elevators, corridors, etc.)	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are holding cells sequestered from public access?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are prisoner's entrances restricted from public contact or view?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Can elevators be secured and controlled?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 2:

Can jury room/victim rooms/other court offices be secured from public access?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are duress alarms installed in jury rooms/victim room/other offices in the courthouse?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are CCTV cameras installed in jury rooms, victim room, and other offices in the courthouse?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is there a separate space for screening mail?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

### Level 3:

Is CCTV in jury room/victim's room/other court offices monitored by private security or law enforcement?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are duress alarms in jury room/victim room/other court offices monitored by private security or law enforcement?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do any of the offices in your building have bullet-resistant windows?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Can an elevator be secured for only judges/staff?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Can an elevator be secured for prisoner/defendant movement?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is the mail screened through X-Ray or Magnetometer?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>