## Liquids in the US Courthouse and Hale Boggs Federal Building

## **POLICY:**

This policy shall apply to everyone except the following: Building tenants who display a valid building identification card, jurors who display a valid juror's badge, and those deliveries/vendors that access the building through the USMS controlled loading dock.

Effective August 1, 2011, the amount of liquids, gels, creams, and aerosol products brought into the US Courthouse/Hale Boggs Federal Building shall be limited to five- 3 ounce containers. This amount restriction includes, but is not limited to: water, soda, coffee, and other beverages as well as hand creams, lotions, perfume, incense, toothpaste, deodorant, liquid soap, etc. Visitors possessing liquids shall inform Court Security Officers of this fact, prior to screening.

All items described within this policy that are in excess of 3 ounces will be prohibited from entering the building. **Under no circumstances will these items be stored for individuals.** Items will not be confiscated unless possession constitutes a violation of the CFR or local, state, or federal law. Persons who possess liquid items in excess of 3 ounces must dispose of the items and will be directed to trash receptacles located outside the building.

Items such as beverages purchased inside the building will be permitted within the confines of the building. However, if a person leaves the building with a liquid, aerosol, gel, or cream product that was purchased from the cafeteria or vending machines, they shall not be permitted to bring the product(s) back into the US Courthouse.

Deliveries of liquid, aerosol, gel, or cream products for building tenants are permitted. Examples of this include but are not limited to caterers, the cafeteria, GSA, etc.

Deliveries of food to building tenants are permitted. However, should the food delivery contain any liquid, aerosol, gel, or cream the building tenant must come to the door and accept delivery in-person. The building tenant must show their USMS-issued building identification card or juror identification (badge or summons is acceptable) to take possession of the delivery. Any other persons will be denied.

Medications, baby formula and food, and breast milk are allowed in reasonable quantities exceeding 3 ounces. However, these items may be selected for further inspection.