

DISTRICT COURT, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO 201 Laporte Avenue, Suite 100 Fort Collins, CO 80521 Telephone: (970) 494-3500	<p style="text-align: center;">COURT USE ONLY</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER CONCERNING PROBATION CONDITIONS REQUIRING COMPLETION OF USEFUL PUBLIC SERVICE</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-4</p>	

Chief Justice Directive 95-01 authorizes the chief judge to establish uniform case management and case processing procedures. There are numerous criminal cases in the 8th Judicial District for which a probation sentence has been imposed with conditions that include completion of a specified number of useful public service hours. In many cases useful public service is a statutory requirement of a probation sentence. At this time there is a severe public health risk posed by COVID-19 (“Novel Coronavirus”) and there have been many advisories and orders from the Centers for Disease Control, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the Governor of the State of Colorado and local public health departments, recommending active steps to slow the spread of the disease and precautions to reduce the risk of exposure. Among the many actions taken to minimize the spread of COVID-19, organizations which provide useful public service opportunities have closed their programs leaving defendants essentially no opportunity to complete their required number of useful public service hours. Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. In all cases where a probation sentence has been imposed that includes a condition of completing useful public service hours and the defendant has completed all conditions of probation except useful public service, provided that the defendant consents, the defendant’s sentence shall be extended for an additional 120 days of unsupervised probation beyond the original term of probation to allow defendant to

complete the required useful public service hours. Probation supervision will continue for the limited purpose of confirming completion of useful public service and no additional supervision fees shall be charged.

2. In any Victims Rights Amendment case, the DA must be notified prior to any extension so that the DA can comply with the requirement to notify the victim of any change in the sentence, whether or not the victim has requested notification. When the victim has requested notification, the notification should be coordinated between probation's victim assistance coordinator and the DA's victim advocate. It is essential that the victim be notified of the possible extension of probation prior to the actual extension.
 - a. If the victim does not object to the extension, probation will be extended as set forth above.
 - b. If the victim objects to the extension, a motion to modify must be filed and any extension must be authorized by the court.
3. This order is effective immediately and shall apply to all probation sentences expiring after March 1, 2020 and on or before September 30, 2020.

Dated this 5th of August, 2020.



Stephen E. Howard
Chief Judge, Eighth Judicial District