

**ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT** 

## Chief Judge Order 20-10 (amended)

## WARRANT REVIEW

In consultation and with the advice of the Office of the District Attorney, the Chief Judge of this Judicial District hereby orders the following:

All requests for arrest warrants and search warrants are to be reviewed by an attorney of the Office of the District Attorney prior to being sent to a judicial officer for review. The affidavit for the warrant will include an affirmation that that the affidavit and warrant have been reviewed by an attorney of the Office of the District Attorney and will include the attorney's name. Barring extreme exigency, Judicial Officers are instructed to reject the request for a warrant if the review has not occurred or if the affirmation is not included in the affidavit.

The Office of The District Attorney has set up an internal warrant review process. Law enforcement agencies seeking a warrant should become familiar with that process in order to determine who they should contact.

This Directive does not apply to probable cause reviews by judicial officers for warrantless arrests.

This directive only applies to felony matters.

Done in Salida, Colorado, July 21, 2020 /s/ Patrick W. Murphy Chief Judge, 11<sup>th</sup> J.D.

Amended 7/10/23 to add the last sentence.