

COMBINED COURTS, Kit Carson, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, and Yuma Counties, State of Colorado.	
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2021-B	▲ COURT USE ONLY ▲
13TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COMBINED COURT COVID-19 JUROR HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE ORDER FEBRUARY 12, 2021	

This Order amends and modifies the Court’s March 16, 2020 Administrative Order, 2020-B, authorizing jurors to be released for health reasons. More recent developments in the understanding of and the spread of the Wuhan SARS-CoV-2 (also described as COVID-19) have led to the necessity to change the District’s practices concerning release of jurors in light of the public health challenges caused by the virus.

Further, experimental vaccines have become available to certain folks in the communities we serve; while the long-term efficacy and safety of these vaccines cannot yet be determined, many individuals in Phase 3 tests of these vaccines appear to have developed sufficient immunity to some strains of the virus to prevent them from suffering the more severe effects of COVID-19. In addition, somewhat more information has been developed as to “risk factors” that would allow prospective jurors to be released on the basis of the possibility that they might experience unwarranted exposure to COVID-19 if called for jury duty at this time.

Accordingly, the COVID-19 questionnaire is hereby amended to remove references to foreign travel; to add questions concerning administration of vaccines; and to add newly-determined “risk factors.”

The questionnaire to be completed shall read substantially as follows:

“Pursuant to Administrative Order 21-B, the Thirteenth Judicial Dist. has implemented a COVID-19 symptoms check. To enter the courthouse, you **MUST NOT** be experiencing any of the following symptoms:

1. Body temperature of 100.4 degrees F or higher, or any sense of having a fever.
2. New muscle aches/fatigue that cannot be attributed to a specific activity like physical exercise;

3. A cough or shortness of breath not otherwise related to a chronic condition;
4. Chills;
5. Bouts of diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting;
6. New loss of sense of smell or taste;
7. Sore throat;
8. Congestion or runny nose; or a
9. Headache;

A. ARE YOU CURRENTLY EXPERIENCING ANY OF THE ABOVE SYMPTOMS?

YES NO (MARK THE APPROPRIATE BOX. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK)

B. Have you been exposed to someone with COVID-19 in the past 14 days? YES NO

C. Have you completed vaccinations for COVID-19? YES NO

If "yes," when did you complete the vaccination(s)? _____ (Date).

Temperature at check-in at the courthouse entrance (to be completed by court staff): _____

Additionally, a person considered by the CDC as a "**vulnerable individual**" or anyone living with a "**vulnerable individual**" will not be required to enter the courthouse. "**Vulnerable individuals**" are:

1. Individuals who are 65 years old or older;
2. Individuals with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma;
3. Individuals who have serious heart conditions;
4. Individuals current suffering from cancer;
5. Individuals who are immunocompromised;
6. Individuals who are pregnant;
7. Individuals who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility;
8. Individuals with severe obesity (body mass index of 30 or higher);
9. Individuals with diabetes;
10. Individuals with chronic kidney disease;
11. Individuals with liver disease;

- 12. Individuals with sickle cell disease;
- 13. Individuals who are current or former tobacco smokers;
- 14. Individuals determined to be high risk by a licensed healthcare provider; and
- 15. Persons caring for a “vulnerable individual.”

D. Are you or do you reside with a vulnerable individual? YES NO

E. Do you wish to delay your jury service because you are or live with a vulnerable individual? YES NO

F. Are you willing to wear a mask or face shield at all times while in the courthouse except when speaking? YES NO

Signature

Date

Printed Name

By signing this page, you are affirming under penalty of law that the above is true and accurate.”

ORDER:

The jury commissioner is authorized to release prospective jurors answering “Yes” to Questions A and/or B.

The Jury Commissioner is authorized to release prospective jurors answering “Yes” to Questions D and E.

Health Questionnaires shall be delivered to the presiding Judicial Officer for Jurors who have not been released.

This Order is effective immediately and remains in effect until further Order of the Chief Judge.

BY THE COURT:


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CHIEF JUDGE, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

February 12, 2021