



media alert

Colorado Judicial Branch
Michael L. Bender, Chief Justice
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TO: Media interested in 12CR1522 (People v. James Holmes)
FROM: Rob McCallum, public information officer
RE: Arraignment set for Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 9 a.m.

The arraignment in 12CR1522, People v. James Holmes, is docketed for 9 a.m., Tuesday, March 12, 2013, in Courthouse 1, Courtroom 201, of the Arapahoe County Justice Center (7325 S. Potomac St., Centennial, CO 80112). Chief Judge William B. Sylvester will preside.

SEATING:

For this hearing, 39 seats are allocated to news media in Courtroom 201. Members of the media consortium will decide which organizations will have seats in the courtroom and how to disseminate news from the courtroom to organizations that did not get a seat.

Once the consortium provides us the seating list for Courtroom 201, we will make up badges for reporters who will be in Courtroom 201. **Those reporters should pick up their badges at the media registration site in the lobby of the courthouse no later than 8:15 a.m. Tuesday, March 12.** Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and will last 45 minutes. In the event any credentials are not picked up, those seats will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday. Be ready to show a valid media credential.

SKETCH ARTIST:

One sketch artist identified by the media consortium will be allowed in the courtroom and will occupy one of the 39 media seats. If the sketch artist will not be present for this hearing, that media credential may be used by another media outlet/representative.

EXPANDED MEDIA COVERAGE

Rules 1 and 2 of Chapter 38 of the Colorado Court Rules allow for cameras in the courtroom for arraignments provided the cameras are approved by the Court. Chief Judge Sylvester has entered an order allowing KUSA-9News to video record the proceedings and for The Denver Post to take still photography. No audio recording will be permitted. KUSA-9News and The Denver Post will serve as pool.

DECORUM ORDER AND DOCUMENTS:

Cameras will also again be permitted within the courthouse. **Laptops, phones and other electronic devices will not be allowed in the courtroom.**

The Court's decorum order and all other publicly available case documents are available at http://www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/District/Cases_of_Interest.cfm?District_ID=18

SATELLITE TRUCK PARKING:

Once again, parking in the lot at the Arapahoe County Justice Center will be limited, but space still will be reserved for satellite trucks and vans on a first-come, first-served basis. The satellite truck parking area will be open beginning 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 11, 2013.

OTHER:

The courthouse opens at 7:30 a.m. daily. Courtroom 201 will open approximately 30 minutes before the start of the hearing.

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