

<p>EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT: ARAPAHOE, DOUGLAS, ELBERT and LINCOLN COUNTIES, COLORADO</p> <p>Arapahoe County Justice Center 7325 South Potomac Street Centennial, Colorado 80112</p> <p>Arapahoe County Courthouse 1790 West Littleton Boulevard Littleton, Colorado 80120</p> <p>Douglas County Justice Center 4000 Justice Way #2009 Castle Rock, Colorado 80109</p> <p>Elbert County Courthouse PO Box 232, 751 Ute Street Kiowa, Colorado 80117</p> <p>Lincoln County Courthouse PO Box 128, 103 Third Avenue Hugo, Colorado 80821</p>	<p align="center">•COURT USE ONLY •</p> <p align="center">Second Amended Chief Judge Order 20-06 Effective May 18, 2020</p> <hr/> <p align="center">Division 201</p>
<p align="center">SECOND AMENDED CHIEF JUDGE ORDER 20-06 FINDING PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS DUE TO COVID-19 PRECLUDE THE CALLING OF A JURY FOR JURY TRIALS SCHEDULED BETWEEN NOW AND JULY 5, 2020</p>	

This order is issued to provide guidance to summoned jurors, attorneys, litigants, and all others associated with any jury trials in the Eighteenth Judicial District in light of the public health risk posed by the Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”). On March 25, 2020, the undersigned issued Chief Judge Order 20-06 Finding Public Health Concerns Due to COVID-19 Preclude the Calling of a Jury for Jury Trials Scheduled Between Now and May 15, 2020. On April 7, 2020,

the Colorado Supreme Court amended Colorado Rule of Criminal Procedure, Rule 24(c) "Trial Jurors." The amendment added paragraph (4) to Rule 24(c), which reads "at any time before trial, upon motion by a party or on its own motion, the court may declare a mistrial on the ground that a fair jury pool cannot be safely assembled due to a public health crisis." On April 16, 2020, Chief Justice Coats of the Colorado Supreme Court amended his prior Chief Justice Orders of March 16 and March 20 to include "[n]o person shall be required to report for jury service in a state court before June 1, 2020." On May 5, 2020, Chief Justice Coats issued an Updated Order Regarding COVID-19 and Operation of Colorado State Courts, which states "no person shall be summoned by state courts to assemble for jury service to begin any time prior to July 6, 2020, unless or until further modification of this order." Chief Justice Coats's Updated Order further states "[i]n consideration, however, of constitutional and statutory rights to jury trials, and the imperative to secure those rights as expeditiously as feasible, any Chief Judge devising an approach for the conduct of limited jury trials consistent with health guidelines and local executive orders concerning assembly and personal contact may seek a waiver of this prohibition against the assembly of jury pools."

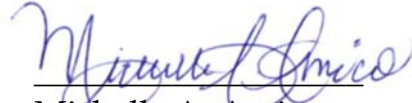
Given the constitutional and statutory rights to jury trials and the need to secure those rights as expeditiously as feasible, the Eighteenth Judicial District staff and judicial officers, including the undersigned, have and will continue to prepare and innovate safe plans to conduct limited jury trials. The undersigned has determined that jury trials consistent with state and local public health guidelines are not possible at this time. Therefore, pursuant to Chief Justice Coats's Updated Order, the reasons listed in CJO 20-06 dated March 25, 2020, the ongoing public health crisis posed by COVID-19, and the current guidance provided by state and local public health departments, the Court will not summon

jurors for jury trials set through **July 5, 2020**, and anyone with a summons to report for jury duty during this time period **is not required to appear**.

The judicial officers in the district will individually determine the status of all cases set for trial during this time period. This Second Amended CJO 20-06 rescinds and replaces any previous version of CJO 20-06.

Dated May 17, 2020, to be effective May 18, 2020.

BY THE COURT:



Michelle A. Amico

Chief Judge

Eighteenth Judicial District