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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 09-11

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Case Number: **09 CV 01**

Division: **1**

**ORDER OF ASSIGNMENT OF FIRST DEGREE MURDER CASES
REPLACING PRIOR ORDERS**

This judicial district currently has a policy of rotating first degree murder cases among all of the district court judges. The initial version of the current schedule was established on October 1, 2001 and has been modified from time to time. The latest modification occurred on January 8, 2008.

A review of the present case assignments for all divisions of the district court shows that the number of civil, water, and probate cases have increased significantly since the rotation policy was implemented. The assignment of first degree murder cases among all of the district judges on a rotating basis was implemented when there were two judges assigned to hear criminal cases in the district court. There are now four district court divisions assigned to hear criminal cases, which has resulted in increased availability of docket time in those four divisions since the rotation policy was established. The court has consulted with the other district court judges of this district and the consensus of the district court bench was that the first degree murder cases should be filed in the four district court divisions assigned to hear criminal cases, as well as Judge Hoskins' division, as she has specifically requested to remain in the rotation.

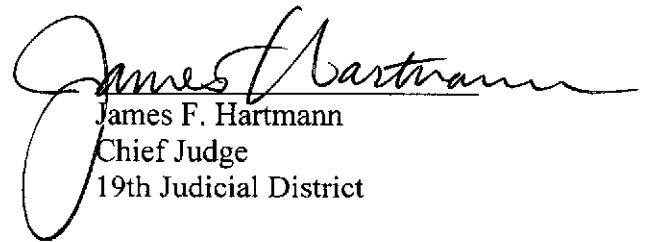
The assignment of first degree murder cases shall now be assigned on a rotating basis between the four criminal divisions and Judge Hoskins in the following order: Judge Kopcow; Judge Hoskins; Judge Gutierrez; Judge Tuttle; Judge Quammen.

The chief judge of the district may modify the order of rotation due to special circumstances, such as judge disqualification, speedy trial requirements, case management, appointment of new judges, and for other good cause. A table showing the assignment of first degree murder cases is attached hereto. Any future modifications to the table shall be filed in 09CV1.

In the event there is more than one defendant charged with first-degree murder involving the same victim or victims, then all such cases shall be assigned initially to the same judge.

This order replaces all previous orders for the assignment of first degree murder cases and specifically Administrative Order 08-01.

Dated: November 17, 2009



James F. Hartmann
Chief Judge
19th Judicial District

**First Degree Murder Case Assignments Pursuant to AO 09-11
Commencing October 1, 2001
Updated November 17, 2009**

Date Filed	Case No.	Defendant	Judge
10-01-01	01CR 1297	John Silva;Trinidad	Klein
10-03-01	01CR1321	Ramos, Jr - 2 Closed.	
04-01-02	02 CR 457	Allen Bergerud-Closed	Lowenbach
04-11-02	02CR 474	Larry Hillman-Closed	Hays
10-09-03	03CR1561	Steven Robles-Closed	Maus
03-29-04	04 CR 520	David Bowen-Closed	Gutierrez
06-16-04	04 CR 980	William Gallegos-Closed	Hartmann
09-15-04	04 CR 1594	Raymond Lara-Closed	Klein
11-1-04	04CR1906 04CR1907 04CR1908	Isaac Benavidez-Closed Simon Salinas-Closed Joshua Rodarte-Closed	Lowenbach
01-03-05	05CR3	Matthew Alfaro-Closed	Maus
01-03-05 (Reassigned- 8-01-05)	05CR 4	Casimiro Rodriguez-Closed	Kopcow
02-14-05	05CR270	Alan Meads-Closed	Gutierrez
03-7-05	05CR403	Matthew Campbell-Closed	Hartmann
05-6-05	05CR839	Terry Sanchez-Closed	Klein
06-01-05	05CR1007	Johnny Acosta Trejo-Closed	Hartmann ¹
06-06-05	05CR1041	Patricio Baltazar-Closed	Maus
10-24-05	05CR2003	Heather Severson-Closed	Kopcow
07-21-06	06CR1446	Scott Rogers-Closed	Lowenbach ²
09-05-06	06CR1811 06CR1812 06CR1866	Enrique Ramirez-Closed Carlos David Valenzuela-Closed Ramiro Carillo- Closed	Gutierrez
09-05-06	06CR1813	Jorge Mauricio-Closed	Hoskins

¹ JFH switched with JRL on 5/22/05

² JRL switched with GAG in 05/06

		Zamora-Closed	
01-23-07	07CR182	Shawna Nelson-Closed	Klein
09-17-07	07CR1847	Ricardo Cortez-Closed	Hartmann
12-17-07	07CR2406	Dennis Sierra- Closed due to death on 3/16/08	Lowenbach ³
01-07-08	08CR18	Mauricio Puente-Hernandez- Closed	Maus
01-14-08	08CR50	John Paul Romero-Closed	
01-14-08	08CR51	Closed	
01-17-08	08CR84	Adrian Gomez-Closed Oscar Marquez- Closed	
07-14-08	08CR1194	Norberto Abundez	Quammen
07-30-08	08CR1319	Allen Andrade-Closed	Kopcow
02-23-09	09CR351	Cecil Erb	Hoskins
6-10-09	09CR1039	John Sandoval	Gutierrez
8-7-09	09CR1434	Alexis Chaparro-Campos	Tuttle ⁴
10-23-09	09CR1938 09CR1906	Alonzo Rodriguez Lopez ⁵ Jose Artemio Rodriguez	Quammen
			Kopcow
			Hoskins
			Gutierrez
			Tuttle
			Quammen
			Kopcow
			Hoskins
			Gutierrez

³ JRL moved up list 12/21/07

⁴ DT switched with RAK 3/25/09

⁵ The prosecution moved to amend the charge from first degree murder to first degree assault on November 10, 2009.