DISTRICT COURT, BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO

Court Address:

1777 SIXTH STREET P.O. BOX 4249, BOULDER, CO, 80306-4249, September 19, 2023 3:00 PM

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Defendant(s) AHMAD AL ALIWI ALISSA

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Case Number: 2021CR497 Division: 13 Courtroom:

Order:MR. ALISSA'S MOTION FOR THIS COURT TO RECONSIDER ITS ORDER ALLOWING EXPANDED **MEDIA COVERAGE (D-024)**

The motion/proposed order attached hereto: NO ACTION TAKEN.

DA response due no later than 4:00 PM September 21, 2023.

Issue Date: 9/19/2023

INGRID SEFTAR BAKKE District Court Judge

District Court, Boulder County, Colorado Court Address: 1776 6th Avenue Boulder, CO 80306 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO v. AHMAD AL ALIWI ALISSA Defendant. σ COURT USE ONLY σ Megan Ring, Colorado State Public Defender Case No. 21CR497 Kathryn Herold #40075 Supervising Deputy State Public Defender Division 13 Samuel Dunn #46901 Deputy State Public Defender Boulder Regional Public Defenders 2555 55TH Street D-200, Boulder, CO 80301 Phone: (303) 444-2322 Fax: (303) 449-6432 E-mail: boulder.defenders@state.co.us

MR. ALISSA'S MOTION FOR THIS COURT TO RECONSIDER ITS ORDER ALLOWING EXPANDED MEDIA COVERAGE (D-024)

Ahmad Alissa, through counsel, requests this Court reconsider its order granting expanded media coverage for the competency hearing. In support of this motion, Mr. Alissa states:

- 1. Mr. Alissa is set for a competency hearing on September 27th and 28th, 2023.
- 2. On September 6th and September 7th, 2023, media outlets filed a request for expanded media coverage. Before giving Mr. Alissa an appropriate opportunity to file a pleading in response to those requests, this Court issued an Order allowing expanded media coverage. That Order violates Rule 3 of the Colorado Rules governing Public Access to Records and Information and therefore this Court must reconsider its Order and deny that request.
- 3. Rule 3 of the Colorado Rules governing Public Access to Records and Information sets limitations on when the Court can consider expanded media coverage. The rule explicitly prohibits expanded media coverage for pretrial hearings in criminal cases, except for advisements and arraignments. Colo. R. Pub.Acc.Rec. & Info. Rule 3(a). Mr. Alissa is not set for an advisement or arraignment on September 27th and 28th, 2023. The rule is not discretionary. In pertinent part the Rule states:

"Notwithstanding an authorization to conduct expanded media coverage of a proceeding, there *shall* be no:

A. Expanded media coverage of pretrial hearings in criminal cases, except advisements and arraignments..."

Colo. R. Pub.Acc.Rec. & Info. Rule 3(a). Emphasis Added.

4. Therefore this Court must deny the request.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that this Court reconsider its Order and deny all media outlets' requests for expanded media coverage.

MEGAN A. RING COLORADO STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

Kathryn Herold #40075 Supervising Deputy State Public Defender

Attachinent Samuel Dunn #46901

Deputy State Public Defender

Dated: September 18, 2023

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on _09.18_ 2023, I served the foregoing document through Colorado E filing to all opposing counsel of record.

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