

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

ORDER RE: JURY TRIALS PROHIBITED FROM COMMENCING FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14-18, 2020	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-08
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Dane H. Watkins, Jr., Administrative District Judge of the Seventh Judicial District hereby finds and orders as follows:

WHEREAS on July 24, 2020, the Idaho Supreme Court issued its Order entitled “In Re: Jury Trials,” the provisions of which govern the conduct of jury trials in Idaho (“Jury Trial Order”); and,

WHEREAS on September 10, 2020 the Idaho Supreme Court issued a further Order regarding Jury Trials entitled “Re: Commencement of Jury Trials” (“Jury Trial Commencement Order”) that requires the Administrative District Judge to review the Cases by County page of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare’s COVID-19 Data Dashboard (at www.coronavirus.idaho.gov) each week to determine if criminal jury trials may proceed for a particular county for a given week; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 3(b) of the Jury Trial Commencement Order, the Honorable Dane H. Watkins, Jr. finds that the counties in the Seventh Judicial District shown below currently meet the criteria set forth and described in said paragraph, and have an incidence rate of COVID-19 between 14.0 and 24.9 per 100,000 population and further that those counties have an upward trend as defined in the Jury Trial Commencement Order;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following Counties of the Seventh Judicial District SHALL NOT conduct jury trials for the week of September 14-18, 2020 and that any jury trial set to proceed during that time frame in those counties shall be vacated and reset:

Bingham County, Idaho
Madison County, Idaho

This order shall be effective as of September 11, 2020


Honorable Dane H. Watkins, Jr.
Administrative District Judge

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