

**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 28 – October 2, 2020	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-10
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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,

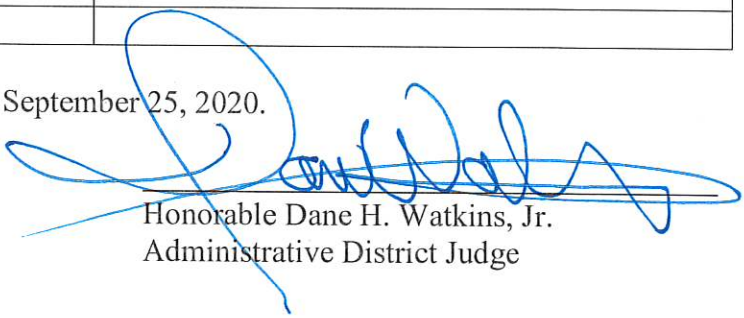
WHEREAS on September 10, 2020 the Idaho Supreme Court issued a further Order regarding Jury Trials entitled “Re: Commencement of Jury Trials” (“Jury Trial Commencement Order”) that requires the Administrative District Judge to review the Cases by County page of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare’s 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 (Idaho Supreme Court report summarizing the Data Dashboard attached); and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to either paragraph 3(a) or 3(b) of the Jury Trial Commencement Order, the Honorable Dane H. Watkins, Jr. finds that certain counties in the Seventh Judicial District currently meet the criteria set forth and described in said paragraphs, and either have an incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID 19 of 25.0 or greater per 100,000 population **OR** 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 28 – October 2, 2020 and that any jury trial set to proceed during that time frame in those counties shall be vacated and reset:

Bingham County, Idaho	Lemhi County, Idaho
Bonneville County, Idaho	Madison County, Idaho
Clark County, Idaho	Teton County, Idaho
Fremont County, Idaho	
Jefferson County, Idaho	

This order shall be effective as of September 25, 2020.


 Honorable Dane H. Watkins, Jr.
 Administrative District Judge

COVID-19 Incidence Trends for Jury Trial Considerations

For the week of September 25, 2020 (September 17-September 24)

	County	7-Day Moving Average Incidence Rate		Trend	Jury Trials Allowed
		Prior Week	Current Week		
First District	Benewah	15.4	9.2	Downward	Yes
	Bonner	9.7	10.9	Upward	Yes
	Boundary	12.8	1.2	Downward	Yes
	Kootenai	9.2	14.7	Upward	No
	Shoshone	5.5	3.3	Downward	Yes
Second District	Clearwater	6.5	14.7	Upward	No
	Idaho	29.1	86.6	Upward	No
	Latah	11.4	26.7	Upward	No
	Lewis	3.7	7.4	Upward	Yes
Third District	Nez Perce	7.4	14.8	Upward	No
	Adams	0.0	6.7	Upward	Yes
	Canyon	13.3	13.4	Upward	Yes
	Gem	27.6	17.4	Downward	Yes
	Owyhee	6.0	3.6	Downward	Yes
Fourth District	Payette	21.5	39.4	Upward	No
	Washington	14.0	43.4	Upward	No
	Ada	11.6	10.8	Downward	Yes
	Boise	3.6	3.6	Stable	Yes
	Elmore	5.7	10.9	Upward	Yes
Fifth District	Valley	0.0	3.8	Upward	Yes
	Blaine	8.1	13.0	Upward	Yes
	Camas	167.9	103.3	Downward	No
	Cassia	18.4	22.0	Upward	No
	Gooding	12.2	14.1	Upward	No
	Jerome	21.7	19.9	Downward	Yes
	Lincoln	8.0	10.6	Upward	Yes
	Minidoka	22.4	29.9	Upward	No
Sixth District	Twin Falls	22.4	29.8	Upward	No
	Bannock	7.0	17.7	Upward	No
	Bear Lake	0.0	14.0	Upward	No
	Caribou	37.9	47.9	Upward	No
	Franklin	7.2	29.9	Upward	No
	Oneida	0.0	6.3	Upward	Yes
Seventh District	Power	48.4	63.2	Upward	No
	Bingham	21.4	39.7	Upward	No
	Bonneville	31.0	31.3	Upward	No
	Butte	5.5	5.5	Stable	Yes
	Clark	84.5	50.7	Downward	No
	Custer	33.1	19.9	Downward	Yes
	Fremont	19.6	32.7	Upward	No
	Jefferson	27.7	40.2	Upward	No
	Lemhi	0.0	23.1	Upward	No
	Madison	37.9	64.4	Upward	No
	Teton	2.4	23.5	Upward	No

This report provides COVID-19 7-day moving average incidence rates for each county to be considered by court administrators to determine whether jury trials are allowed to occur during the upcoming week. Data in this report show the incidence rates on Thursday of the current and prior week. The information here reflects what is reported on the Department of Health and Welfare's website between 5:00 p.m. on Thursday and 8:00 a.m. on Friday of the current week. **Data on the website are subject to change and may not reflect the information in this report.**