

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

<b>ORDER RE: POSTPONEMENT OF JURY TRIALS IN KOOTENAI COUNTY FOR THE WEEK OF September 6-10, 2021</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER H21- KOO.3</b>
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Rich Christensen, Administrative District Judge of the First Judicial District hereby finds and Orders as follows:

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2021 the Idaho Supreme Court issued an “EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING COURT SERVICES”. Said Order contained the following requirements and prohibitions:

**7. Weekly COVID-19 Incidence Rate Jury Trial Postponements:** Jury proceedings, including jury trials and grand jury proceedings, may commence anytime during a calendar week unless the Administrative District Judge has determined that the County in which the prospective juror has been summoned to attend court has a seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19 of 25.0 or greater per 100,000 population as reflected on the Cases by County page of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare’s COVID-19 Data Dashboard available at [www.coronavirus.idaho.gov](http://www.coronavirus.idaho.gov)

and;

WHEREAS, the seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19 in Kootenai County has been rising over the last week with a daily 7-day moving average incidence rate of 55.4 for Wednesday, September 1, 2021.


and;

WHEREAS, the Administrative District Judge has consulted with each of the judges that have trials pending for the week of September 6-10 and determined it would not be prudent or in the interest of public safety to go forward with jury trials during said week.

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**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that jury trials in Kootenai County are suspended for the week of September 6-10, 2021

SO ORDERED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2021



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HON. RICH CHRISTENSEN  
Administrative District Judge  
First Judicial District

Kootenai County Judges  
Karlene Behringer, Trial Court Administrator  
Jury Commissioner Kootenai County, Pete Barnes  
Idaho Supreme Court, Sara Omundson, ADOC