FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Administrative Office
State of Idaho

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

ORDER RE:
POSTPONEMENT OF JURY TRIALS AND
GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS, AND
MANDATORY SAFETY PROTOCOLS IN
COURT FACILITIES OF THE FIFTH
JUDICIAL DISTRICT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2021-43

Eric J. Wildman, Administrative District Judge of the Fifth Judicial District hereby finds and Orders as follows:

WHEREAS on November 29, 2021 the Idaho Supreme Court issued its Amended Order entitled "EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING COURT SERVICES." Said Order contained the following requirements and prohibitions:

2. Administrative District Judges Authorized to Issue Orders Regarding Courthouse and Courtroom Risk Reduction Protocols in Their Districts: If, a county is located within a public health district in which Idaho's crisis standards of care are currently activated, or if, as reflected in [the Weekly Publication of COVID-19 Incidence Rates], a county's seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19 is 25.0 or greater per 100,000 population, the Administrative District Judge shall enter an administrative order defining the safety protocols that will be required in the county's courthouse. The order will, at a minimum, require all persons entering the courthouse to conduct court business to wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth and maintain six feet of social distance from anyone that does not live in their household.

and:

- 7. <u>Jury Trial Postponements:</u> On or after December 6, 2021, Jury proceedings, including jury trials and grand jury proceedings, may commence anytime during a calendar week unless:
 - a) the county in which the jury trial is to be held is located in a public health district in which Idaho's crisis standards or care are activated; or
 - b) 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 https://coronavirus.idaho.gov.

and;

WHEREAS, the seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19, for Thursday, December 16, 2021, in the Fifth Judicial District is as follows:

Blaine County	8.1	Jerome County	14.6
Camas County	0.0	Lincoln County	18.6
Cassia County	10.7	Minidoka County	14.3
Gooding County	10.4	Twin Falls County	13.6

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Jury Trials and Grand Jury Proceedings may proceed in all counties in the Fifth Judicial District for the week of December 27, 2021.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.

Dated this <u>17th</u> day of December 2021.

Honorable Eric J. Wildman Administrative District Judge Fifth Judicial District

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