In the Supreme Court of the State of Idaho

IN RE: APPROVAL OF PRE-TRIAL)	
RISK ASSESSMENT TOOLS)	ORDER
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This Court has considered a recommendation from the Misdemeanor Sentencing Committee to adopt standard, validated pretrial risk assessment tools, and this Court finds the use of validated pretrial risk assessment tools is consistent with best practices. This Court further finds that the Virginia Pretrial Risk Assessment (VPRAI) and Public Safety Assessment (PSA) have been validated nationally and proven effective in assisting the assessment of risks, or lack thereof, associated with the pretrial release of defendants in criminal cases.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that, effective January 1, 2025, any pretrial risk assessments considered by Idaho Courts must be approved by this Court;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Virginia Pretrial Risk Assessment (VPRAI) and Public Safety Assessment (PSA) are hereby approved by this Court; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that courts shall only continue to consider these approved pretrial risk assessment tools if they are validated locally within five (5) years of January 1, 2025, and every five (5) years thereafter.

DATED this _____ day of November, 2024.

By Order of the Supreme Court

G. Richard Bevan

Chief Justice, Idaho Supreme Court

ATTEST: Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk

I, Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk of the Supreme Court/
Court of Appeals of the State of Idaho, do hereby
Certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the
entered in the above entitled
cause and now on record in my office. WITNESS my
hand and the Seal of this Court

Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk

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