

DENVER COUNTY COURT PRESIDING JUDGE ORDER COUNTY OF DENVER, COLORADO City and County Building 1437 Bannock, Room 108 Denver, CO 80202	• COURT USE ONLY • Presiding Judge Order 22-01 Effective January 4, 2022
PRESIDING JUDGE ORDER 22-01 SUSPENDING JURY TRIALS AND MAINTAINING COURT OPERATIONS IN DENVER COUNTY COURT THROUGH JANUARY 28, 2022	

The Court has the authority to modify this order at any time and without notice.

This order is issued to provide guidance to summoned jurors, attorneys, litigants, and all others associated with jury trials and court proceedings in the Denver County Court given the ongoing public health risk posed by the Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) and its variants.

Denver County Court has continued to monitor the status of COVID-19 in our community. This Court has issued orders since March 2020 modifying operations and imposing restrictions as necessary to protect public health and safety and easing restrictions when current conditions relating to the pandemic have allowed. The Court remains open and operating and is committed to providing necessary and essential services while implementing measures to ensure public safety and mitigating risk.

Given the current state of the ongoing public health crisis, it is now appropriate that the Court reassess its safety measures. *See* attached hereto and incorporated by reference, findings necessitating the suspension of jury trials and

maintenance of court operations outlined in Chief Judge Order 2022-01, issued on January 4, 2022.

WHEREAS:

It is hereby ORDERED, effective January 4, 2022, the attached Tenth Amended Presiding Judge Administrative Order 2020-01 remains in full force and effect except as noted below:

The Denver County Court hereby suspends the summoning of jurors for jury trials set through January 28, 2022. This order is subject to review and revision in accordance with prevailing public health guidelines from the CDPHE and DDPHE.

Further, the Denver County Court maintains its court operations through January 28, 2022, as follows:

Denver County Court will maintain the current practice of in-person proceedings to meet the needs of those who are unable to access the court through a virtual appearance. Those who have tested positive, are experiencing symptoms, or have other COVID concerns are instructed to appear virtually. Please see the Denver County Court website for virtual instructions at denvercountycourt.org/covid-19/.

Individuals who meet any of the following conditions are instructed not to appear at the Courthouse: (1) have been diagnosed with COVID-19; (2) have been in direct contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, and require quarantine as directed by current public health guidance. Information on

quarantine guidance can be located at <https://covid19.colorado.gov/how-to-quarantine>.”; (3) currently experiencing a fever, cough, shortness of breath, or any other respiratory illness symptoms not associated with a pre-existing health condition.

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Nunc Pro Tunc
4th Day of January 2022

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Nicole Rodarte
Nicole Rodarte
Presiding Denver County Court Judge