



JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF COLORADO
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 20-103

SUBJECT: 20th Judicial District Operations At Boulder County Jail Courtroom

To: All Judicial Officers, Court Executive, Clerk of Court, Court Staff, District Attorney, Public Defender, Boulder County Bar Association, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Staff, Community Justice Services, County Attorney, Sheriff, Jail, Law Enforcement

From: Ingrid S. Bakke
Chief Judge

DATE: June 30, 2020

In light of the public health risk posed by the Novel Coronavirus and COVID-19 and the advisories and orders from the Center for Disease Control, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and the local public health departments, recommending active steps to slow the spread of the disease and precautions to reduce the risk of exposure, effective immediately the Courts and Probation of the 20th Judicial District will maintain limited operations and focus on matters of immediate concern for public safety. The COVID-19 situation in Colorado is rapidly developing since this Court's last order in response to the virus:

On March 17, 2020, the City of Boulder issued an emergency declaration limiting the size of events or gatherings in publicly owned places to 10 people or less in an effort to slow the spread of the virus;

On March 19, 2020, Governor Polis began closing specific categories of Colorado businesses;

On March 22, 2020, Governor Polis ordered all non-essential Colorado businesses to reduce their workforce to 50%;

On March 23, 2020 the City of Boulder issued amended Emergency Order 2020-6 which ordered individuals to stay at their place of residence except for essential activities outlined in the order. It is expected that many other municipalities and counties will do the same.

As of March 23, 2020, 37 people in Boulder County have tested positive for the virus.

Pursuant to the authority granted in Chief Justice Directive 95-01 and Chief Justice Order dated March 24, 2020, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

Until further notice, the 20th Judicial District courtroom located at the Boulder County Jail, 3200 Airport Rd., will be open only to members of the public who have a return court date and victims who wish to be heard by the Court. Attorneys with clients at the jail are exempted from this order. Defense counsel and out of custody defendants may contact the Division to request to participate via audio and/or audiovisual means.


Hon. Ingrid S. Bakke
Chief Judge
Twentieth Judicial District