

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO**

**COURT OPERATIONS
DURING THE COVID-19
PANDEMIC**

**DISTRICT COURT GENERAL ORDER
2020-19**

This order supersedes General Orders 2020-11 and 2020-18. The justification for this General Order remains the same as for General Order 2020-10.

WHEREAS, this Court continues to evaluate its response to the spread of COVID-19 and recognizes the need to assist in the preservation of public safety and health while effectively administering justice during the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, key indicators from the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment, including positivity rates, the number of hospitalizations, and cumulative incidences per 100,000 people, demonstrate a significant increase in the rate of COVID-19 infections in many parts of the District of Colorado. This increase makes it advisable to restrict certain court operations to help slow the spread of the disease. It is hereby

ORDERED that all civil and criminal jury trials and all in-person bench trials scheduled to commence now through January 8, 2021 before any district or magistrate judge in any courthouse in the District of Colorado are CONTINUED subject to further order of the presiding judicial officer. It is further

ORDERED that all grand jury proceedings are SUSPENDED from November 6, 2020 through January 8, 2021 and therefore, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161, a grand jury within the District of Colorado is not available during that period. It is further

ORDERED that in-person Central Violations Bureau calendars set through January 8, 2021 are CONTINUED. New dates for the cases scheduled on such dockets shall be reset without the need to file any motions with the Court. It is further

ORDERED that all public and bar-related functions scheduled to take place in any courthouse facility in the District of Colorado are CANCELED.

All other terms of General Order 2020-10 remain in effect.

Dated at Denver, Colorado this 5th day of November, 2020.

BY THE COURT



PHILIP A. BRIMMER
Chief United States District Judge