

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

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

**DISTRICT COURT GENERAL ORDER
2020-21**

This order supersedes General Order 2020-19. 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, continue to demonstrate high rates of COVID-19 infections in many parts of the District of Colorado. These conditions make it advisable to continue 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 29, 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 through January 29, 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 29, 2021 are CONTINUED. Virtual or video teleconference hearings may take place as scheduled. 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 16th day of December, 2020.

BY THE COURT



PHILIP A. BRIMMER
Chief United States District Judge