

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

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

**DISTRICT COURT GENERAL ORDER  
2021-2**

This order supersedes General Order 2020-21. 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, while trending downward in the past few weeks, 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, particularly given the detection of a more infectious variant of coronavirus in the state. It is hereby

ORDERED that all civil and criminal jury trials and all in-person bench trials scheduled to commence now through February 26, 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 in-person Central Violations Bureau calendars set through February 26, 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

**BY THE COURT**



PHILIP A. BRIMMER  
Chief United States District Judge