

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-22 RE: EXTENDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-16 RE: JURY TRIALS

The most recent data from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment indicates that the number of COVID-19 positive cases in the 7th Judicial District now exceeds 1100. The number is increasing more rapidly than at any time since the Spring of 2020.

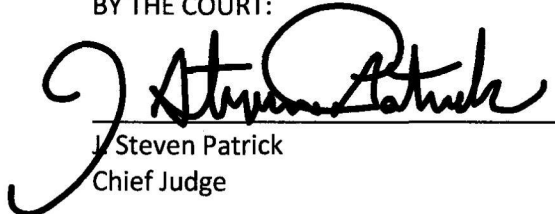
All six counties in the District are in the CDPHE blue category. The District has been able to only conduct eight jury trials since getting approval from the Chief Justice to commence jury trials in July. Jury trials including social distancing still require two courtrooms and substantial commitment of jury commissioner staff and bailiffs for each trial.

The Court orders as follows:

1. Administrative Order 2020-16 regarding jury trials is extended to January 1, 2021.

Dated and effective this the 30th day of October, 2020.

BY THE COURT:



J. Steven Patrick
Chief Judge

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7th JD Clerks of Court
District Attorney
Office of the Public Defender
Jury Commissioner