ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2021-26

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AUTHORIZING CLERKS OF COURT TO MODIFY A JUVENILE'S COURT RECORD TO REFLECT ACCURATE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION STATUS PURSUANT TO HOUSE BILL 21-1064

On June 24, 2021, Governor Polis signed into law House Bill 21-1064, Concerning the Implementation of Recommendations from the Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning the Treatment of Persons with Mental Health Disorders in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems Regarding Juveniles Who Have Committed Sex Offenses. As relevant to this Administrative Order, HB 21-1064 amended and added certain provisions to C.R.S. §16-22-101, et. seq., the Colorado Sex Offender Registration Act. Pursuant to Section 14 of HB 21-1064, the legislation took effect on September 1, 2021.

Section 2 of HB 21-1064 amended C.R.S. §16-22-103(4) by adding, in relevant part, "[i]f a person is required to register pursuant to this article 22 due to an adjudication or disposition as a juvenile, the duty to register automatically terminates either when the person reaches twenty-five years of age or seven years from the date the juvenile was required to register, whichever occurs later." Pursuant to Sections 3 and 8 of HB 21-1064, eligibility for automatic termination is determined by local law enforcement and the

Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI), but a qualified juvenile may file a petition with the court for removal if CBI fails to remove the juvenile from the registry. *See* C.R.S. §16-22-108; C.R.S. §16-22-113.

In the event CBI removes a juvenile from the registry pursuant to the automatic termination provision of HB 21-1064, CBI notifies the Judicial Department of the removal. Upon receipt of such a notification, it is necessary for the Judicial Department to modify the affected juvenile's court record to reflect that sex offense registration is no longer required. Failure to do so could result in an automatic, but erroneous, communication between the Judicial Department's case management system and CBI indicating that the juvenile is still required to register as a sex offender.

Pursuant to the authority provided to Chief Judges under Chief Justice

Directive 95-01, and to allow the efficient case management for cases involving
juveniles impacted by HB 21-1064 in the Sixth Judicial District, this

Administrative Order is hereby entered to authorize the Clerks of Court or their
designees to modify a juvenile's court record in the Judicial Department's case
management system to reflect that sex offense registration is no longer required
for each juvenile CBI removes from the sex offender registry pursuant to the
automatic termination provisions of HB 21-1064.

APPROVED AND SIGNED this 2

_day of November, 2021.

Mef Judge Sixth Judicial District of Colorado