SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STATE OF COLORADO

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2006-02 Search Warrants

Pursuant to the Colorado Judicial Department's Public Access to Court Records Policy, section 4.60(2) adopted April 8, 2005, there is no policy specifically related to public access or open records for search warrants issued by the courts. It has been determined that such a policy is necessary for the effective administration of justice in the Seventh Judicial District.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that search warrants issued by a county or district court of the Seventh Judicial District are not open to the public for view until the warrant has been served and such service (Return of Service) has been filed with the issuing court either electronically or by paper filing. Following the return of service, unless a court order to the contrary that directly seals the record is entered by the court, the search warrant (s) shall be open records and access to such records shall be allowed by the Clerk of Court as per normal procedure.

Done this day of October, 2006

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J. Steven Patrick, Chief Judge