



**20<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF COLORADO**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 25-101**

**SUBJECT: Procedure Allowing the Court to Accept Payments on Appearance Bond**

**To: Twentieth Judicial District Judicial Officers, Court Executive, Clerk of Court, 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Trial Court Staff, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Staff, Court Staff, Community Justice Services, Bond Commissioners, Sheriff, Jail, Law Enforcement, Public Defender, District Attorney and Boulder County Bar Association**

**From: Ingrid S. Bakke  
Chief Judge**

**DATE: May 22, 2025**

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Pursuant to the authority granted to chief judges of the judicial districts of the State of Colorado by Chief Justice Directive 95-01, the undersigned, in her capacity as Chief Judge of the Twentieth Judicial District, enters the following Chief Judge Order (“CJO”) 25-101.

Colorado Revised Statute § 16-4-102, C.R.S., impacts the Boulder Combined Courts and the Boulder County Jail, and thus, the undersigned implements the following procedures allowing the Twentieth Judicial District to accept payments on appearance bonds related to failure to appear or failure to comply warrants from defendants and sureties.

Pursuant to Section 16-4-102, C.R.S, (2)(b)(I) a bond may be paid, at a minimum, by cash, money order, or cashier’s check to the holding county. Colorado Judicial Department Financial Services Division Fiscal Rule 9.6A states payments on appearance bonds from the defendant or surety shall not be accepted by the court. These limitations, as well as the limitations of the arrest standards set by the Boulder County Sheriff, present challenges for defendants attempting to efficiently resolve outstanding warrants. This Administrative Order addresses those challenges by providing additional accessibility to the public.

Therefore, the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District implements a procedure to accept appearance bond payments at the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Clerk’s Offices on all failure to appear or failure to comply

warrants with a monetary bond set for traffic, misdemeanor and lower-class felony cases. Payments must be paid with certified funds and shall be made payable to the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District.

Bonds related to affidavits warrants will not be accepted by the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Clerk's Offices and will continue to be processed by the Boulder County Sheriff, per their arrest standards, to ensure that defendants are fingerprinted at the time bond is posted.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ingrid S. Bakke', written in a cursive style.

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Hon. Ingrid S. Bakke  
Chief Judge  
Twentieth Judicial District