

**EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT:  
ARAPAHOE, DOUGLAS, ELBERT and  
LINCOLN COUNTIES, COLORADO**

**Arapahoe County Justice Center  
7325 South Potomac Street  
Centennial, Colorado 80112**

**Arapahoe County Courthouse  
1790 West Littleton Boulevard  
Littleton, Colorado 80120**

**Douglas County Courthouse  
4000 Justice Way, #2009  
Castle Rock, Colorado 80109**

**Elbert County Courthouse  
PO Box 232, 751 Ute Street  
Kiowa, Colorado 80117**

**Lincoln County Courthouse  
PO Box 128, 103 Third Avenue  
Hugo, Colorado 80821**

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**CJO 18-03**

**Division 201**

**CHIEF JUDGE ORDER REGARDING CERTAIN PROHIBITED  
ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE ARAPAHOE COUNTY JUSTICE  
CENTER**

Pursuant to the authority granted to chief judges of the judicial districts of the State of Colorado by Chief Justice Directive 95-01, "Authority and Responsibility of Chief Judges," the undersigned, in his role as Chief Judge of the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, enters this Order, which applies to the Arapahoe County Justice Center ("ACJC"). This Order replaces Amended CJO 15-02, which was issued on July 8, 2015.

The Court has the responsibility and authority to ensure the efficient performance of judicial functions, to protect the dignity, independence, and integrity of the courts, and to make the lawful actions of the courts effective. Specifically, the Courts must ensure the safe and orderly use of the facilities of ACJC, including the free flow of pedestrian traffic. Those having business at

ACJC must be able to enter and exit Courthouse grounds and facilities freely, in a safe and orderly fashion, and unhindered by threats, intimidation, interference, or harassment. The Court also must provide a secure environment for all who enter the Courthouse grounds, and must minimize activities that unreasonably disrupt or interfere with the orderly and peaceful conduct of court business. It is imperative that the Court provide for the fair and orderly conduct of court proceedings and maintain proper judicial decorum by ensuring a neutral forum free of actual or perceived partiality, bias, prejudice, or favoritism. Accordingly, the Court finds that it is reasonable, necessary, and appropriate to impose certain restrictions on expressive activity at ACJC without regard to the content or viewpoint of any particular message, idea, or form of speech.

**Prohibited Activities:** The following activities shall be prohibited on those portions of the Courthouse grounds that are covered by yellow lines on the attached map. The prohibition on the following activities shall be enforced Monday thru Friday from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm.

- **Picketing; displaying signs or banners; protesting; parading; writing or drawing with chalk; holding vigils or religious services; proselytizing; preaching; distributing literature or other materials; gathering signatures; petitioning; or engaging in similar conduct that interferes with the ability of any person to move about the Courthouse grounds or freely enter and exit the Courthouse facilities.**
- **Soliciting; selling goods or services, requesting donations, or engaging in any other commercial activity except to the extent that any solicitation or commercial activity is directed to the Judicial Branch or Arapahoe County.**
- **Encumbering any location on Courthouse grounds with personal property (tents, chairs, tables, podiums, etc.).**

In addition, the following activities are prohibited at any location on the attached map of Courthouse grounds:

- **Obstructing the clear passage of law enforcement, emergency vehicles and personnel, Courthouse personnel, or other persons.**

- **Using sound amplification equipment in a manner that is audible inside the Courthouse facilities or that otherwise violates county ordinances.**

This Order shall not operate to preclude law enforcement or security staff from taking additional appropriate steps to ensure the orderly and peaceful conduct of court business at ACJC. Further, this Order shall be enforced by the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office and Courthouse security staff as necessary. All persons on the Courthouse grounds shall comply with the lawful requests, directions, and orders of any law enforcement officers and security staff while such law enforcement officers and security staff are performing their official duties.

This Order shall be posted at each public entrance at ACJC. It shall also be posted at such other places as will reasonably assist in providing notice of this Order.

Entered this 28th day of June of 2018.

BY THE COURT:



Carlos A. Samour, Jr.  
Chief Judge  
Eighteenth Judicial District

