

Chief Judge, Twelfth Judicial District

**ORDER: Authorizing the
Reuse of Jurors in Costilla
County in 2018**



**CHIEF JUDGE
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
2018-02**

Due to the large number of jury trials scheduled in Costilla County so far in calendar year 2018, the court anticipates that there will be an insufficient number of jurors for the remaining jury trials this year. Although prospective jurors who appear in state court are typically disqualified from further service during that calendar year, C.R.S. § 13-71-105, that exemption does not apply in emergency circumstances. C.R.S. § 13-71-112. When there is an emergency, the jury commissioner may summon additional trial jurors as needed. Having insufficient prospective jurors to call for upcoming jury trials is an emergency need.

In addition, during 2018 many of the scheduled jury trials were cancelled prior to the prospective jurors sitting for voir dire. Colorado law provides that prospective jurors whose service has been canceled may be randomly reselected for further service within the succeeding twelve months. C.R.S. § 13-71-114.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the jury commissioner is authorized to recall jurors who were previously called for jury duty in state court in Costilla County during this calendar year (2018); and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that individuals who appeared for jury duty and were actually selected and served on a jury in Costilla County during the previous twelve months are not subject to this order and will not be recalled.

DONE by the court this 29th day of June 2018.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pattie P. Swift", is written over a horizontal line.

Pattie P. Swift, Chief Judge