

SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ADAMS COUNTY AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD COLORADO ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUDGE 11-01

Juror Information and Public Access

The Colorado Judicial Department has generated a Public Access to Court Records policy as an attachment to Chief Justice Directive 05-01 that includes juror questionnaires as a court record that is not accessible to the public without a court order. The policy further states that the local court may order other records not accessible in accordance with other policies or statutes.

Pursuant to C.R.S 13-71-136 and Rule 24(a)(4) it is the intent that juror information whether a potential or sitting juror should not be available to the public except by court order.

The following policy is recommended when dealing with jurors in criminal and civil cases? After the jury is selected and sworn, jurors should be referred to by number, 1 through 13 or 14. All attorney notes, copies of jury questionnaires, seating charts, and other information related to the jury selection should be collected, given to the division clerk and shredded. All original documents related to the jury, including any documents that contain names, etc. are sealed, only to be opened by court order until the case has run through the entire appeal process and then the original jury information should also be shredded.

Effective this 5th day of April 2011.

C. Vincent Phelps, Chief Judge