CHIEF JUDGE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CLERK OF THE COMBINED COURTS OF THE 11^{TH} JUDICIAL DISTRICT TO PERFORM CERTAIN DUTIES IN MISDEMEANOR, TRAFFIC OFFENSE, TRAFFIC INFRACTION, AND CIVIL INFRACTION CASES

Pursuant to C.R.S. §13-6-212(2)(f), the chief judge of a judicial district, upon approval of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, may authorize the clerk of the county court to perform certain functions in certain cases. Such duties may include, with the consent of the defendant, accepting pleas of guilty and admissions of liability and imposing penalties pursuant to a schedule approved by the presiding judge of the county court in misdemeanor cases involving violations of wildlife and parks and outdoor recreation laws for which the maximum penalty in each case is a fine of not more than one thousand dollars; and in misdemeanor traffic and traffic infraction cases involving the regulation of vehicles and traffic for which the penalty specified in C.R.S. §42-4-1701, or elsewhere in articles 2 to 4 of title 42, in each case is less than three hundred dollars; and in civil infraction cases.

The ends of justice will be achieved when the courts operate more efficiently in civil infraction and traffic infraction matters for violations of misdemeanor traffic and traffic infraction cases described above.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED as follows:

The Clerk of the Combined Courts of the 11th Judicial District and any deputy or assistant clerk thereof, is hereby ASSIGNED AND AUTHORIZED, in all misdemeanor cases involving violations of wildlife and parks and outdoor recreation laws for which the maximum penalty in each case is a fine of not more than one thousand dollars; and in misdemeanor traffic and traffic infraction cases involving the regulation of vehicles and traffic for which the penalty specified in C.R.S. §42-4-1701, or elsewhere in articles 2 to 4 of title 42, in each case is less than three hundred dollars; and in civil infraction cases:

- To advise defendants of their procedural and constitutional rights, pursuant to Colorado Rules of Criminal Procedure Rule 5, and Rule 11, Colorado Rules of Traffic Infractions Rule 7, and Colorado Rules of Civil Infractions Rule 6;
- To accept pleas of not guilty or denials of liability in such cases, to grant continuances, and to set such cases for final hearings, hearings, or trial;
- With the consent of the defendant, to accept pleas of guilty and admissions of liability and to impose penalties pursuant to a schedule approved by the presiding judge.

Dated this 6th day of September, 2022

BY THE COURT

/s/ Patrick W. Murphy, Patrick W. Murphy

Chief Judge

Eleventh Judicial District

Approved by:

Brian D. Boatright

Date

9/6/2022

Chief Justice, Colorado Supreme Court