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Chapter 38 of Colorado Supreme Court Rules provides the procedure to be followed in the event of a request for expanded media coverage in the Colorado court system's courtrooms.

Rule 2(a) specifically authorizes a judge to permit expanded media coverage of court proceedings, subject to certain guidelines.

Rule 2(a)(1)(A) defines "proceeding" as any trial, hearing, or any other matter held in open court which the public is entitled to attend.

A defendant's first appearance in court for advisement subsequent to an arrest is a "proceeding" as defined in the above Rule 2(a)(1)(A) and subject to the procedures required in obtaining authorization for expanded media coverage.

The procedure for requesting authorization for expanded media coverage is provided in Rule 6 of the Colorado Supreme Court Rules, Chapter 38.

Expanded media is absolutely prohibited in a court proceeding unless authorized by the Court regardless of the location of the court proceeding, including a video appearance before the Court.

So Ordered, this 22 day of January, 2012,

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Dennis Maes, Chief Judge

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