



CHIEF JUDGE ORDER 2016- 10  
STATE OF COLORADO  
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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REGARDING THE FILING OF CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST CO-DEFENDANTS

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**ORDER**

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WHEREAS the adoption of computer tracking made the prior court procedure of filing co-defendant in a single case number impractical, the Court now requires the District Attorney to file co-defendants under separate case numbers; and

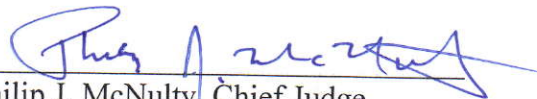
WHEREAS, the Colorado Rules of Criminal Procedure 8(b) allows for the filing of co-defendants in the same indictment, information, or felony complaint, however currently this is technically unavailable; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Office identifies co-defendants on the felony complaints, informations, and indictments.

WHEREAS, in order to effectuate the meaning of Crim.P. 8(b) the Court finds it is in the best interests of the Court, counsel, and parties to identify cases involving co-defendants in a single prosecution.

IT SHALL BE ORDERED THAT all filings in the First Judicial District, which the District Attorney indicates involve co-defendants, shall be treated as if filed in a single indictment, information or felony complaint; and the prosecution need not file a motion to join those co-defendants.

Done in Golden, Colorado this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2016.



Philip J. McNulty, Chief Judge  
First Judicial District