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## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER CONCERNING AUGUST 25, 2020 JURY TRIALS

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## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-10**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, the State of Colorado, the United States of America and the entire world are currently experiencing a public health emergency related to the spread of the COVID-19 virus. In order to address the public health concerns in the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial District related to the COVID-19 virus Administrative Order 2020-9 has been issued concerning procedures for conducting jury trials in a way that balances the health concerns for those involved in trials with the rights of criminal defendants and other litigants. Under the provisions of Administrative Order 2020-9 the number of jury trials that can be conducted in the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial District in any given week is strictly limited. It is the responsibility of the Chief Judge to determine which cases should have priority to proceed to jury trial and how many jury trials can be conducted. As Chief Judge I have concluded only one jury trial can begin on August 25, 2020 and that case no. 18CR3045, *People v. Miguel Hernandez*, has priority over case no. 2019M2135 *People v. Timothy Tyler*. Therefore, the *Tyler* case will need to be reset

Dated this 24th day of August 2020.

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Stephen E. Howard Chief Judge, Eighth Judicial District