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By 

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

**ORDER RE:
POSTPONEMENT OF JURY TRIALS AND
GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS, AND
MANDATORY SAFETY PROTOCOLS IN
COURT FACILITIES OF THE FIFTH
JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
2022-04**

Eric J. Wildman, Administrative District Judge of the Fifth Judicial District hereby finds and Orders as follows:

WHEREAS on November 29, 2021 the Idaho Supreme Court issued its Amended Order entitled "EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING COURT SERVICES." Said Order contained the following requirements and prohibitions:

2. **Administrative District Judges Authorized to Issue Orders Regarding Courthouse and Courtroom Risk Reduction Protocols in Their Districts:** If, a county is located within a public health district in which Idaho's crisis standards of care are currently activated, or if, as reflected in [the Weekly Publication of COVID-19 Incidence Rates], a county's seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19 is 25.0 or greater per 100,000 population, the Administrative District Judge shall enter an administrative order defining the safety protocols that will be required in the county's courthouse. The order will, at a minimum, require all persons entering the courthouse to conduct court business to wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth and maintain six feet of social distance from anyone that does not live in their household.

and:

7. **Jury Trial Postponements:** On or after December 6, 2021, Jury proceedings, including jury trials and grand jury proceedings, may commence anytime during a calendar week unless:
 - a) the county in which the jury trial is to be held is located in a public health district in which Idaho's crisis standards or care are activated; or
 - b) the Administrative District Judge has determined that the County in which the prospective juror has been summoned to attend court has a seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19 of 25.0 or greater per 100,000 population as reflected on the Cases by County page of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's COVID-19 Data Dashboard available at <https://coronavirus.idaho.gov>.

and;

WHEREAS, the seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19, for Thursday, January 20, 2022, in the Fifth Judicial District is as follows:

Blaine County	152.7	Jerome County	43.9
Camas County	25.8	Lincoln County	66.6
Cassia County	36.9	Minidoka County	33.3
Gooding County	41.4	Twin Falls County	87.0

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. Jury Trials and Grand Jury Proceedings in **Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls Counties**, are suspended for the week of January 31, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all persons entering the Court Facility in **Blaine, Cassia, Minidoka or Twin Falls Counties**, or a Courtroom or the Court Services Office in **Camas, Gooding, Jerome and Lincoln Counties**, to conduct court business shall be subject to and maintain the following protocols:

1. Wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth.
2. Maintain six feet of social distance from anyone that does not live in their household.

This Order is to remain in effect until the seven-day moving average incidence rate in any of the above-mentioned counties falls below 25.0, as determined by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED.

Dated this 21st day of January 2022.



Honorable Eric J. Wildman
Administrative District Judge
Fifth Judicial District

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