

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

**ORDER RE:
POSTPONEMENT OF JURY TRIALS IN
KOOTENAI COUNTY FOR THE WEEK OF
September 6-10, 2021**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
H21- KOO.3**

Rich Christensen, Administrative District Judge of the First Judicial District hereby finds and Orders as follows:

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2021 the Idaho Supreme Court issued an “EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING COURT SERVICES”. Said Order contained the following requirements and prohibitions:

7. Weekly COVID-19 Incidence Rate Jury Trial Postponements: Jury proceedings, including jury trials and grand jury proceedings, may commence anytime during a calendar week unless 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 www.coronavirus.idaho.gov

and;

WHEREAS, the seven-day moving average incidence rate of confirmed or presumed cases of COVID-19 in Kootenai County has been rising over the last week with a daily 7-day moving average incidence rate of 55.4 for Wednesday, September 1, 2021.


and;

WHEREAS, the Administrative District Judge has consulted with each of the judges that have trials pending for the week of September 6-10 and determined it would not be prudent or in the interest of public safety to go forward with jury trials during said week.

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NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that jury trials in Kootenai County are suspended for the week of September 6-10, 2021

SO ORDERED this 2nd day of September, 2021



HON. RICH CHRISTENSEN
Administrative District Judge
First Judicial District

Kootenai County Judges
Karlene Behringer, Trial Court Administrator
Jury Commissioner Kootenai County, Pete Barnes
Idaho Supreme Court, Sara Omundson, ADOC