

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

RE: ORDER PROHIBITING
COMMENCEMENT OF JURY TRIALS IN
BANNOCK COUNTY MARCH 15, 2021
THROUGH MARCH 19, 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
2021-08

WHEREAS on February 3, 2021, the Idaho Supreme Court issued an Order entitled, “RE: COMMENCEMENT OF JURY TRIALS AND GRAND JURY IMPANELMENT,” (“Order”), the provisions of which govern the resumption of jury trials in Idaho; and,

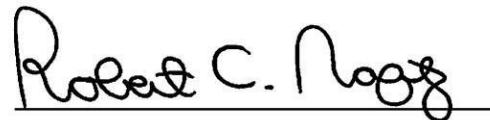
WHEREAS the Administrative District Judge issued Administrative Order 2021-04 on March 5, 2021, pursuant to the Order determining that jury trials could commence in the Sixth Judicial District for the week of March 15, 2021 through March 19, 2021; and,

WHEREAS a review of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare’s COVID-19 Dashboard on March 15, 2021, shows the 7-day moving average incidence rate for Bannock County at 22.6, which is an increase from the published weekly COVID-19 incident rate for Bannock County on March 5, 2021, which was 14.2; and,

WHEREAS the Administrative District Judge makes the finding that this increase in incidence rates between March 5, 2021, and March 15, 2021, is a significant change in incidence rates and poses a substantial risk to the health and safety of jury trial participants.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Administrative Order 2021-04 is RECINDED as it pertains to Bannock County and that Bannock County SHALL NOT conduct jury trials for the week of March 15, 2021 through March 19, 2021, and any jury trial set to proceed during that time frame in that county shall be vacated and reset.

Dated this 15th day of March, 2021.



ROBERT C. NAFTZ
Administrative District Judge
Sixth Judicial District

cc: Sara Omundson, Administrative Director of the Courts
All Sixth Judicial District Judges
Trial Court Administrator, Sixth Judicial District
All Sixth District County Clerks
All Sixth District Jury Commissioners