

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

IN RE: ATTENDANCE OF COURT )  
REPORTERS IN DISTRICT COURT )      Administrative Order 2018-10  
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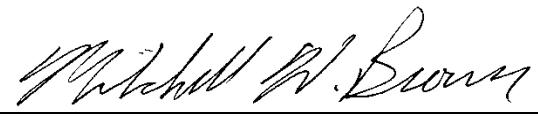
WHEREAS, pursuant to Idaho Court Administrative Rule (I.C.A.R.) 27(a), a certified court reporter shall attend all civil trials, hearings on dispositive motions, criminal trials, arraignments, plea hearings, evidentiary suppression hearings, and sentencing hearings in the district court, unless such attendance is waived in open court or by a written stipulation signed by the parties, or their counsel of record, and approved by the presiding district judge; and

WHEREAS, I.C.A.R. 27(h)(2) provides for emergency assistance in the event of the anticipated absence of a court reporter, allowing that the Administrative District Judge may suspend application of I.C.A.R. 27(a) and (h)(1) and order the recording of any or all proceedings listed in I.C.A.R. 27(a) to be by an electronic recording in accordance with I.C.A.R. 27(c) as the official court record until such time as the court reporter absence or vacancy has passed; and

WHEREAS, two of the four court reporter positions in the Sixth Judicial District of Idaho will be vacant as of December 31, 2018, making compliance with I.C.A.R. 27(a) extremely unlikely.

THEREFORE, consistent with I.C.A.R. 27(h)(2), it is ordered that the application of I.C.A.R. 27(a) and (h)(1) is suspended as to all proceedings presided over by district judges in the Sixth Judicial District of Idaho until such time as the court reporter vacancies have been filled and all proceedings presided over by district judges may be electronically recorded in accordance with I.C.A.R. 27(c) as the official court record.

DATED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.

  
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MITCHELL W. BROWN  
Administrative District Judge  
Sixth Judicial District

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All Elected Clerks in the Sixth Judicial District  
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