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Seventh Judicial District, Fremont County

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF FREMONT

STATE OF IDAHO,

Plaintiff,

VS.

LORI NORENE VALLOW DAYBELL,

Defendant.

Case No. CR22-21-1624

ORDER GOVERNING COURTROOM CONDUCT

This Order shall govern courtroom conduct and media activities within the courtroom in this matter, as may be amended from time to time. This Order shall supersede any prior Order Governing Courtroom Conduct

The court is mindful of the need to balance (1) the constitutional right of the defendant to a fair hearing; (2) the public's right to information in conjunction with the constitutional and statutory rights of the media to attend the proceedings; (3) the court's interest in maintaining order and an environment which permits all participants to focus on their responsibilities without undue distractions; and (4) the court's interest in the safety of the public and court personnel, and the need to follow all Idaho Supreme Court Orders and Seventh Judicial District Administrative Judge's Orders regarding COVID-19 protocols, as may be changed or amended from time to time.

With these factors in mind, pursuant to Idaho Court Administrative Rules (ICAR) 45 and 49, the court orders as follows:

1) COURTROOM SEATING AND ATTENDANCE

- A) Seating for Victim(s), Families of Defendant, Counsel, Other Court Personnel.

 Certain seating may be reserved for members of counsel, authorized court personnel, the defendant's family and the victims' families.
- B) <u>Pooled Media Seating.</u> The representatives of the media serving as the pooled camera staff, shall be seated in an area approved by the Court, as designated by the Trial Court Administrator. subject to a limit of three (3) media members operating the pooled broadcast/recording of the hearing and one (1) media member handling the pooled still

- photography.
- C) <u>Public and Additional Media Seating.</u> The public and members of the media not designated as pooled camera staff, may be permitted in the courtroom as space permits on a first come basis. No person may reserve seats. No standing in the courtroom will be allowed.
- **D)** Seating in Front of the Bar. No one other than court personnel designated by the Court, the Defendant, the attorneys and their assistants shall be permitted to sit in front of the bar of the courtroom without specific authorization of the court.
- E) Entry and Exit During Court Proceedings. Spectators, including members of the media and the public, shall be seated before court is in session during any portion of a hearing. No entry or re-entry to the courtroom shall be permitted while court is in session.

2) GENERAL RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

- A) <u>COVID-19 Precautions.</u> On the date of any hearing in the above captioned matter, if there are any Orders in effect from either the Idaho Supreme Court or the Seventh Judicial District Administrative District Judge regarding COVID-19 safety protocols, all persons attending any hearing shall be required to comply with said Orders. Information with regard to whether any such Orders may be in effect on the date of any hearing may be obtained from the contacts set forth in paragraph 3(E) below.
- B) <u>Security Screening.</u> All persons entering the courtroom are subject to security screening. Handbags, backpacks, and other carry-ins are subject to inspection.
- C) <u>Cell Phones.</u> With the exception of approved media and court personnel, all cell phones and other electronics must be turned off at all times while in the courtroom. If a cell phone or other electronic device rings or beeps, or is found to be in use during court, it will be confiscated by the marshal. No one may talk on a cell phone in the courtroom.
- D) Other Electronic Devices. Members of the media may utilize computers, laptops and other similar devices for the purposes of note taking, but SHALL NOT record or transmit sounds or images in or from the courtroom. Violation of this rule may result in confiscation of the device.
- E) <u>Disruptive Behavior</u>. Any activity or behavior which is considered disruptive by the Court will result in removal from the courtroom. Any spectator who creates a visual or

auditory disturbance of the court proceedings may be removed from the courtroom and/or the building at any time at the discretion of court security personnel.

3) MEDIA COVERAGE

- A) <u>Camera/Still Photographer</u>. If the Court allows cameras in the courtroom and orders that the media coverage be pooled, then all media shall have access to and share the video, audio, and still photographs received from the permitted cameras. Members of the media shall designate and agree on the operator of each camera permitted pursuant to ICAR 45.
- B) <u>Courtroom Media Requirements</u>. Allowed media representatives and their equipment will be located in an area of the courtroom designated by the Trial Court Administrator or Bailiff. Any traditional still camera shall have a silent shutter. No flash photography is allowed. The number of and placement of cameras being used to broadcast and/or record the proceedings shall be subject to the approval of the Court. No movement around the courtroom will be allowed during court proceedings. Camera and audio equipment shall not be set up nor disassembled at any time while court is in session.
- C) <u>Portion of Proceedings Which May be Televised.</u> Photography, video, and audio will not be permitted during a recess in the court proceedings. "Recess" means any time the judge is not at the bench. No electronic device shall record the audio and/or video of any bench conference ("side bar") between the court and counsel nor any conferences between an attorney and client or conferences between co-counsel.
- **D)** Restrictions on Video and Photographs. No video or still photography shall be taken of any victim papers, documents, or notes which may be located on or around counsel tables or used by counsel.
- E) Interviews and Reporting. No media interviews or reporting shall be conducted in the courtroom. In addition, any interview or media reporting shall be subject to the Seventh Judicial District's Administrative Order 2022-09 issued by Dane H. Watkins, Jr., Administrative District Judge, on April 13, 2022.
- F) Media Inquiries. Media inquiries and communications regarding these matters shall be directed to Nate Poppino, Court Communications Manager for the Idaho Supreme Court at npoppino@idcourts.net or by phone at: 208-296-9055 or Tammie D. Whyte, Trial Court Administrator for the 7th Judicial District at: twhyte@co.bonneville.id.us or by phone at: 208-520-9262.

G) <u>ICAR 45/49.</u> All other provisions of Idaho Court Administrative (ICAR) Rules 45 and 49 apply and any authorization under this Order may be revoked at any time, without prior notice.

4) SECURITY

- A) <u>Courthouse Area Security.</u> Security officers may quiet or disperse members of the public or the media so as to not hinder other members of the public and court staff from having access to the building and to the Clerk of Courts office and the other courtrooms in the building.
- B) <u>Disruptive Behavior</u>. Any activity or behavior which is considered disruptive by the court will result in removal. Any spectator who creates a visual or auditory disturbance of the court proceedings may be removed from the courtroom and/or the building at any time at the discretion of court security personnel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 14th day of April, 2022.

Steven W. Boyce District Judge

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