

<p>EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT: ARAPAHOE, DOUGLAS, ELBERT and LINCOLN COUNTIES, COLORADO</p> <p>Arapahoe County Justice Center 7325 South Potomac Street Centennial, Colorado 80112</p> <p>Arapahoe County Courthouse 1790 West Littleton Boulevard Littleton, Colorado 80120</p> <p>Douglas County Justice Center 4000 Justice Way #2009 Castle Rock, Colorado 80109</p> <p>Elbert County Courthouse PO Box 232, 751 Ute Street Kiowa, Colorado 80117</p> <p>Lincoln County Courthouse PO Box 128, 103 Third Avenue Hugo, Colorado 80821</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">• COURT USE ONLY •</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Chief Judge Order 23-09 Division 201, Arapahoe County</p>
<p>CHIEF JUDGE ORDER 23-09 REGARDING EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT MAGISTRATES AND C.R.M. 7 PETITIONS FOR REVIEW</p>	

Chief Justice Directive 95-01 outlines the “Authority and Responsibility of Chief Judges.” Among other case management responsibilities, the chief judge is responsible for the assignment and management of all courtrooms and has the authority to assign cases to courts or divisions, to establish uniform case management, and to assign and reassign employees to meet the needs of the district. *See* CJD 95-01(6), (9), (11). And pursuant to the Colorado Rules for Magistrates, “[a]lthough magistrates may perform functions which judges also

perform, a magistrate at all times is subject to the direction and supervision of the chief judge or presiding judge.” C.R.M. 1. “Any person appointed pursuant to these rules as a district court, county court, probate court, juvenile court, or small claims court magistrate may, if qualified, and in the discretion of the chief or presiding judge, exercise any of the magistrate functions authorized by these rules.” C.R.M. 4(d).

Accordingly, while the Colorado Rules for Magistrates makes certain designations (i.e. county court magistrates, district court magistrates, small claims magistrates, etc.), the undersigned reaffirms that all Magistrates within the Eighteenth Judicial District can exercise any of the magistrate functions authorized by the Colorado Rules for Magistrates.¹ *See* CJD 95-01; C.R.M. 4. Similarly, all Magistrates within the Eighteenth Judicial District can serve as a district court magistrate for the purposes of warrant reviews. *See id.*

Furthermore, pursuant to C.R.M. 7(a)(2), the undersigned reaffirms that any district court judge within the Eighteenth Judicial District may be assigned a C.R.M. 7 Petition for Review. *See* C.R.M. 7(a)(2) (“The chief judge shall designate one or more district judges to review orders or judgments of district court magistrates entered when consent is not necessary.”). The C.R.M. 7 Petitions for Review are generally divided amongst the district court judges assigned to the same docket type as the Petition for Review filed.

This CJO 23-09 shall supersede the Administrative Order Regarding Eighteenth Judicial District Magistrates, dated January 5, 2010.

¹ The case type controls when determining what type of appeal or review to file (i.e. C.R.M. 7 or C.R.M. 9).

Dated June 30, 2023.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michelle A. Amico", written over a horizontal line.

Michelle A. Amico
Chief Judge
Eighteenth Judicial District