

Chief Judge Directive (6-3-94)

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
STATE OF COLORADO

I remain concerned about the safety of our Probation Officers as they deal with violent or unpredictable defendants. I have reviewed materials on "pepper spray" and find it to be a safe, effective and relatively passive tool for self defense.

Therefore, Probation Officers of the 11th Judicial District, while in performance of their duties, are authorized to use the Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray, also known as "pepper spray" for self defense or the protection of innocent third parties from threat of physical harm. Further, no officer is authorized to carry or use the OC spray without completing a certified training course.

This Order is effective from this 3rd day of June, 1994, until further Order of this Court.

John Anderson
Chief Judge

cc: Eleventh Judicial District Judges
Fernando Martinez, Chief Probation Officer
Eleventh Judicial Probation Officers
Walter Blair, District Administrator