

District Court, Boulder County, Colorado Court Address: 1776 6 th Avenue Boulder, CO 80306	DATE FILED: September 18, 2023 σ COURT USE ONLY σ
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO v. AHMAD AL ALIWI ALISSA Defendant.	
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MR. ALISSA’S MOTION FOR THIS COURT TO RECONSIDER ITS ORDER ALLOWING EXPANDED MEDIA COVERAGE (D-024)	

Ahmad Alissa, through counsel, requests this Court reconsider its order granting expanded media coverage for the competency hearing. In support of this motion, Mr. Alissa states:

1. Mr. Alissa is set for a competency hearing on September 27th and 28th, 2023.
2. On September 6th and September 7th, 2023, media outlets filed a request for expanded media coverage. Before giving Mr. Alissa an appropriate opportunity to file a pleading in response to those requests, this Court issued an Order allowing expanded media coverage. That Order violates Rule 3 of the Colorado Rules governing Public Access to Records and Information and therefore this Court must reconsider its Order and deny that request.
3. Rule 3 of the Colorado Rules governing Public Access to Records and Information sets limitations on when the Court can consider expanded media coverage. The rule explicitly prohibits expanded media coverage for pretrial hearings in criminal cases, except for advisements and arraignments. Colo. R. Pub.Acc.Rec. & Info. Rule 3(a). Mr. Alissa is not set for an advisement or arraignment on September 27th and 28th, 2023. The rule is not discretionary. In pertinent part the Rule states:

“Notwithstanding an authorization to conduct expanded media coverage of a proceeding, there *shall* be no:

- A. Expanded media coverage of pretrial hearings in criminal cases, except advisements and arraignments...”

