Chief Judge Order 2022-04 (AMENDED 12/29/2022)

Fourteenth Judicial District

State of Colorado

ORDER CONCERNING HEARINGS FOR ARRESTEES WITHIN 48 HOURS OF THEIR ARRIVAL AT A JAIL
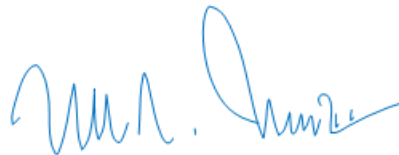
Colorado House Bill 21-1280 goes into effect on April 1, 2022. This legislation requires a bond hearing for any detainee within 48 hours of arrival at a jail, subject to certain listed exceptions. For all individuals arrested for charges in the 14th judicial district, these hearings will be held every business day in the county court. For individuals arriving at a jail between Friday at 2:00 p.m. and Saturday at 2:00 p.m., these hearings will be conducted by Bond Hearing Magistrates.

If a person is arrested in another judicial district on a warrant issued in the 14th Judicial District, that person will be advised in county court within 48 hours of their arrival at a jail. If an individual is arrested in another judicial district on a warrant issued in the 14th Judicial District and arrives at the detaining jail between 2:00 p.m. on Friday and 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, that person will be advised by the on-call judge in the 14th Judicial District within 48 hours of their arrival at the detaining jail. The local jail will notify the on-call judge of the arrest and the on-call judge will determine if a hearing is necessary. If so, the on-call judge will make arrangements for the hearing with the detaining jail, the D.A.'s office and the Public Defender's office.

Similar schedules will repeat if Friday or Monday is a State holiday.

These requirements only apply to initial arrests when the detainee has not yet seen a judge in that particular case. These requirements do not apply to arrests for warrants for failing to appear (except for their initial advisement hearing) or failing to comply with conditions of probation or for Community Corrections remands.   These requirements also only apply to bond eligible detainees.

Dated: December 29, 2022.

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Michael A. O'Hara, III, Chief Judge