

DISTRICT COURT, BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO 1777 6th St. Boulder, CO 80302	
<b>IN RE MARSHALL FIRE LITIGATION</b>	DATE FILED September 22, 2025 4:32 PM  <b>▲ COURT USE ONLY ▲</b>
	Case Number: <b>2022CV30195</b> <b>(and consolidated cases)</b>  Courtroom: G
<b>STANDING ORDER OF DECORUM</b>	

THIS MATTER comes before the Court regarding trial set to begin September 25, 2025. The Court rules as follows:

### *Purposes*

The Court seeks to assure full and fair media access. The Court also seeks to preserve fair and orderly procedures in this case, and to ensure that fair proceedings may be conducted. Additionally, while community members may address the media per their discretion, it is imperative that parties must have public Courthouse access to which they are entitled without unnecessary disruption. Finally, at all times, access to and movement within the Courthouse must remain available for the conduct of other business of the Court.

For these reasons, the Court enters the following Standing Order of Decorum for conduct in the Courthouse regarding these matters.

### *Scope of Order*

This Order shall be in effect, beginning one hour prior to any in-court proceedings titled above and ending one hour after the in-court proceeding. The Order applies to all observers, media, and witnesses.

The following restrictions shall apply to the Courthouse and Courtroom in which such proceedings are held.

- A) The 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Executive in consultation with the Boulder County Sheriff's Office shall determine a media pool location for cameras outside of the courthouse (the "Media Pool Location"). All camera or recording device functions (including those on video cameras, still cameras, iPhones, cell phones, tablets, computers, audio or video recorder or transmittal devices ("Camera or Recording Device Function")) shall be used only at the Media Pool Location.

- B) This Order does not preclude the use of personal devices inside the Courthouse (but outside the Courtroom) for functions that do not include the use of a Camera or Recording Device Function, other than as described below. Such permitted use in areas outside of the Courtroom includes text messaging, note-taking, telephone or e-mail as may be permitted in certain areas of the Courthouse.
- C) During court proceedings, court staff, court security, and attorneys, paralegals, and other support staff representing Plaintiffs and Defendants may utilize devices that have Camera or Recording Device Functions, but they may not use the Camera or Recording Device Function on such device. They may use the devices for regular business (such as arranging witnesses, displaying evidence or for business communication with their office).
- D) During court proceedings, credentialed media members may utilize devices that have Camera or Recording Device Functions to take notes or communicate with their office, but they may not use the Camera or Recording Device Function on such device. Nor may any media member broadcast, post, or “live blog” from within the Courtroom.
- E) **Aside from individuals identified in paragraphs (C) and (D) above, any other individual who has a Camera or Recording Device Function (including any personal device listed above in paragraph A) within the Courtroom, must power off the device completely during court proceedings.**
- F) The media and members of the public may capture images of persons as they come and go from the Courthouse, except that persons selected as jurors or potential jurors shall not have their images captured. Empaneled jurors will be identified by displaying juror badges at all times possible.
- G) All media interviews shall be held exclusively at the Media Pool Location.
- H) There shall be no photography, transmitting or video or audio recording of any kind within the Courtroom.
- I) Except as may be permitted by separate order (such as an expanded media coverage order, if any), there shall be no photography, transmitting or video or audio recording of any kind by any individual observing remotely by Livestreaming. Unless permitted by separate order of this Court, there shall be no simulcast of any Livestreaming.
- J) No member of the public or the media shall conduct or attempt to conduct an interview of any party, observer, family member, witness, or attorney engaged in the case within the Courthouse grounds, unless such interview is in the Media Pool Location. The Court Executive, with the cooperation of the Boulder County Sheriff’s Department, shall designate the Media Pool Location.
- K) Timely requests for expanded media will continue to be considered separately pertaining to each individual hearing or trial.

- L) Any violation of this Standing Decorum Order or any Expanded Media Order by an individual or organization may be deemed contempt of court and subject to sanctions, including exclusion from the courtroom for further proceedings.

ACCORDINGLY, this Court hereby enters this Standing Order of Decorum in this matter.

Done in Golden, Colorado this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2025.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Zenisek", written over a horizontal line.

Christopher C. Zenisek  
District Court Judge