

Colorado Supreme Court 2 East 14th Avenue Denver, CO 80203	DATE FILED February 6, 2026
Original Proceeding, District Court Boulder County, 2025CR349	
In Re:	
Plaintiff:	Supreme Court Case No: 2025SA316
The People of the State of Colorado,	
v.	
Defendant:	
Juli Ann Culver.	
ORDER OF COURT	

Upon consideration of the People of the State of Colorado's Petition for Order to Show Cause Pursuant to C.A.R. 21, the response filed by Juli Ann Culver, and the petitioner's reply, and being sufficiently advised in the premises,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

The Order to Show Cause issued by this Court on October 24, 2025, is hereby MADE ABSOLUTE.

The defendant is charged with third-degree assault of an at-risk person. The People allege that the defendant hit the victim, her 16-year-old son, causing injury, while trying to dress him. The defendant pleaded not guilty and maintains that she acted in self-defense.

The defendant endorsed clinical and forensic psychologist Jane Cleveland, Psy. D, to testify as a generalized expert in child psychology, child-to-parent violence, abuse of caretakers, and family dynamics. The defendant did not enter a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity pursuant to section 16-8-107(3)(b), C.R.S. (2025). Further, the defendant does not contest that she failed to comply with the notice and evaluation requirements in section 16-8-107(3)(b). Despite this, the trial court was going to allow Dr. Cleveland's proposed testimony.

We now conclude that the proposed testimony by Dr. Cleveland is mental condition testimony subject to the requirements of section 16-8-107(3)(b). Because the defendant failed to comply with those requirements, the defendant may not present the proposed expert mental condition testimony by Dr. Cleveland.

Accordingly, we remand this case with instructions that the trial court precludes expert evidence of the defendant's mental condition.

BY THE COURT, EN BANC, FEBRUARY 6, 2026.

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