

TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF PUEBLO, STATE OF COLORADO

CHIEF JUDGE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

26-01

REGARDING FOOD AND BEVERAGES IN THE JUDICIAL BUILDING

I. **Authority.** Pursuant to the authority granted to chief judges of the judicial districts of the State of Colorado by Chief Justice Directive (“CJD”) 95-01, the undersigned enters the following Chief Judge Administrative Order (“CJAO”) 26-01, Regarding Food and Beverages in the Judicial Building.¹ This CJAO 26-01 supersedes Amended CJAO 14-07.

II. **Background.** As recognized by Amended CJAO 14-07, operations in the then new Dennis Maes Pueblo Judicial Building (“Judicial Building”) began on August 5, 2014. In an effort to protect the integrity of new fixtures and furnishings, the CJAO prohibited members of the public, attorneys and jurors (collectively, “public”) from bringing food and drink into the Judicial Building.

Since that time, it has become necessary to reconsider food and beverages in the Judicial Building, while still protecting property, maintaining security, upholding decorum, and balancing the needs of the public. Input from the Tenth Judicial District judicial officers and staff, Pueblo County Sheriff’s Office, Pueblo County Facilities Department, and public has been solicited in developing this CJAO. Accordingly, it is reasonable and necessary to amend the prohibition of the public bringing food and beverages into the Judicial Building.

III. **Order.** The following applies to all food and beverages brought into the Judicial Building by the public:

- A. All food and beverage items will be subject to screening by security personnel.
- B. With the exception of water, food and beverages are prohibited in courtrooms unless otherwise allowed by Judicial Officers.
- C. The following items are allowed into the Judicial Building:
 - 1. Beverages such as coffee and soda in cups with lids or closed containers no larger than 32 ounces.
 - 2. Foods in secure containers.

¹ CJD 95-01 recognizes the chief judge as the administrative head of all district and county courts within a judicial district and section (II)(C) details a chief judge’s authority to manage all district facilities.

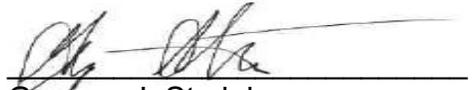
D. Items prohibited in the Judicial Building:

1. Glass containers or metal utensils.
2. Alcoholic beverages.

E. Empaneled jurors may store food and beverage in the jury assembly room refrigerator and consume food and beverage in the jury assembly room.

F. Food and beverage requests beyond the above, including specific accommodation requests, will be considered and may be authorized by administration.

SO ORDERED, this 24th day of February 2026.



Gregory J. Styduhar
Chief Judge