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Clerk of Court

TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DOLORES AND MONTEZUMA COUNTIES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2026-03

WEBEX APPEARANCE PROTOCOL FOR WEBEX APPEARANCE – INITIAL BOND
HEARINGS

Authority. Pursuant to the authority granted to Chief Judges of the judicial districts of the State of Colorado by Chief Justice Directives (“CJD”) 95-01 and 23-03, the undersigned enters the following Chief Judge Administrative Order governing Webex appearances by victims and persons appearing on behalf of defendants at initial bond hearings in the 22nd Judicial District.

Background. Section 16-4-102 of the Colorado Revised Statutes requires an arresting jurisdiction to bring an in-custody arrestee before a court for a bond setting no later than forty-eight hours after the arrestee arrives at a jail or holding facility. Due to the short timeframe in which bond hearings must be held, it is often difficult for victims to receive notification of such hearings and subsequently arrange to appear at such hearings in-person.

The short timeframe in which bond hearings must be held, also makes it difficult for persons to appear on behalf of defendants at initial bond hearings to address issues related to bond.

The Colorado Victim Rights Act (VRA) grants victims the right to be heard at all critical stages of a criminal case, including bond hearings.

In the interest of ensuring that victims are able to exercise their rights, and that defendants are able to exercise their due process rights, the following processes and procedures must be followed if victims wish to appear at initial bond hearings via Webex and if defendants want persons to appear on their behalf to address issues related to bond at initial bond hearings via Webex.

Notwithstanding 22nd Judicial District Administrative Order 2024-09, the following processes and procedures must be adhered to in instances in which victims or persons appearing on behalf of defendants wish to appear by Webex at initial bond hearings:

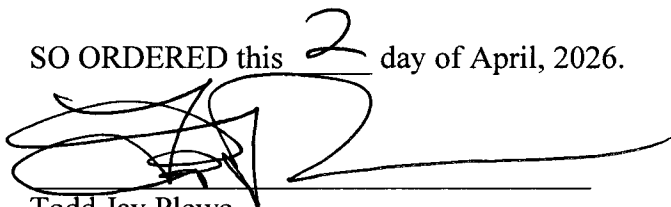
- A. Before the start of the first bond hearing on the Court’s docket for the day, the District Attorney, Deputy District Attorney, or defense counsel shall inform the courtroom clerk that a victim wishes to appear by Webex to address the Court or that a person wishes to appear by Webex to address the Court on behalf of a defendant

related to bond. This information shall be provided to the courtroom clerk in a handwritten note or email stating the case name, case number, and first and last name of the person requesting to appear by Webex.

Formal, written motions requesting that victims or persons appearing for defendants by Webex at initial bond hearings shall not be required.

- B. Victims or persons on behalf of defendants appearing by Webex at an initial bond hearing must be in the waiting room of the Webex virtual courtroom prior to the commencement of the first bond hearing on the Court's docket for that day. Victims or persons attempting to appear via Webex after the commencement of the hearing shall not be admitted.
- C. Victims or persons on behalf of defendants appearing by Webex at initial bond hearings must use a computer or the Webex app on a mobile device and must enter their first and last name when logging on to Webex. The courtroom clerk will only admit persons with first and last names matching those given to the courtroom clerk before the hearing. If the courtroom clerk does not see the correct first and last name displayed in the Webex waiting room, the victim or person on behalf of defendant will not be permitted to join the Webex virtual courtroom.
- D. Persons appearing by Webex must ensure that their camera and audio are functional prior to entering the virtual courtroom. If a person's camera is not functional, the Court has no way of verifying the identity of the person and the person's participation in the hearing shall not be allowed.
- E. Persons are reminded that admission to the virtual courtroom via Webex is not necessary in order to view initial bond hearings. In the event that a person has no intention of addressing the Court but still wishes to view proceedings, the person can access live streaming of court proceedings at: <https://live.coloradojudicial.gov>
- F. Nothing in this order shall limit a judicial officer's discretion to modify or deviate from the above procedures.

SO ORDERED this 2 day of April, 2026.



Todd Jay Plewe
Chief Judge, 22nd Judicial District