



ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

For the 5th Judicial District of Colorado

CLEAR CREEK COUNTY – EAGLE COUNTY – LAKE COUNTY – SUMMIT COUNTY

IN RE THE MATTER OF TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF COUNTY COURT JUDGES TO SIT IN OTHER COUNTIES IN THE 5TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Effective: September 15, 2026

Expiration: December 31, 2026

Order Number: 2026-14

This Order supersedes any 5th Judicial District Chief Judge Order of the same title.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI, Section 5, of the Colorado Constitution, C.R.S. § 13-6-218 and Chief Justice Directive 95-01, the Chief Judge of a district has authority to temporarily assign County Court Judges of the 5th Judicial District to hear County Court cases in any of the counties that comprise the Judicial District;

WHEREAS, such assignments facilitate caseload management in the 5th Judicial District in the most efficient manner possible, promote the speedy resolution of matters before the Courts of this District, and serve the public interest;

WHEREAS, all the County Court Judges being experienced judges and/or attorneys, and/or being otherwise qualified, it would be an efficient use of judicial resources to all hear matters that arise in any of the counties of this District;

WHEREAS, an existing administrative Order has previously been issued which permits the sitting County Court Judges to sit as District Court Judges under specified circumstances.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

All the County Court Judges in the 5th Judicial District are hereby authorized to hear county court cases in any of the counties that compromise the 5th Judicial District.

SO ORDERED this 15th day of September, 2026.

BY THE COURT:



Paul R. Dunkelman
Chief District Judge, 5th Judicial District