

DISTRICT COURT COSTILLA COUNTY, COLORADO 304 Main Street; San Luis, CO 81152 Plaintiff(s): THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO v. Defendant(s): DANNY ROBERT SANCHEZ	DATE FILED September 1, 2026 2:20 PM ▲ ▲ COURT USE ONLY
	Case Number: 2026CR503 Division: WW
OMNIBUS ORDER	

The following represents my **ORDER** pertaining to pre-trial procedural matters pursuant to Colorado Rule of Criminal Procedure 16(IV)(c). Each of these deadlines are hard deadlines unless constitutional, statutory, or good cause reasons exist for exceeding the deadline:

1. Mr. Sanchez was indicted by the Grand Jury on one count of abuse of a corpse pursuant to C.R.S. § 18-13-101, a class six felony; and four counts of second degree official misconduct pursuant to C.R.S. § 18-8-405, a petty offense.
2. The Court entered a plea of not guilty on his behalf on August 11, 2026.
3. Speedy trial runs on February 11, 2027.
4. Any motions filed pursuant to Colorado Rule of Criminal Procedure Rule 12(b) shall be filed no later than 11:59 p.m. on September 1, 2026. Responses to the same shall be filed no later than 11:59 p.m. on September 22, 2026. Replies are due no later than 11:59 p.m. on September 29, 2026. The Court notes that Mr. Sanchez filed a Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Probable Cause which was fully briefed and the same was denied on September 1, 2026.
5. All other motions, excluding motions *in limine*, shall be filed no later than end of business on September 11, 2026. Responses shall be filed by end of business on October 2, 2026. Replies shall be filed by end of business on October 9, 2026.
6. Motions filed after these dates will be denied unless they address constitutional issues, are statutorily permitted/required to be filed at a later date, or other good cause is shown for late filing.

7. The prosecution is to file notice, pursuant to Colorado Rule of Evidence 404(b), of any other acts evidence it wishes to introduce at trial against the defendant no later than sixty days prior to trial. Notice shall include a specific evidentiary hypothesis for each other act/purpose under which the prosecution seeks to introduce this evidence and an analysis pursuant to *People v. Spoto*. The defense shall file any response to the prosecution's notice no later than forty-five days prior to trial. Any reply shall be filed no later than thirty-five days prior to trial.
8. A hearing to set a trial date and any motions needing a hearing is scheduled for September 15, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. Parties may appear in person or use the Webex Virtual Conferencing System by calling (415) 655-0001 and entering conference room number 927-191-190. Parties may also join virtually with a valid email address. If Mr. Sanchez intends on entering a guilty plea, he is required to appear in person.
9. The parties will advise me of any request to continue no later than one week prior to any motion hearing. If no notice is given by that time, I will only accept a dismissal of the case, or an entry of plea, or the hearing will go forward as scheduled.
10. The prosecution will complete discovery no later than thirty-five (35) days prior to trial. At a minimum, the prosecution will disclose to the defense all materials within its possession or control (including that held by any law enforcement agency that regularly reports to, or has reported to the prosecution in connection with this case) that constitute the following:
 - a. Police, arrest and crime or offense reports, including the statements of all witnesses. This should include, but not be limited to any vest cam, dash cam, or other recordings made by law enforcement in connection with the case;
 - b. Any books, papers, documents, photographs, or other tangible objects held as evidence in connection with the case;
 - c. Any record of prior criminal convictions of the accused, any co-defendant, or any person the prosecuting attorney intends on calling as a witness at trial;
 - d. All tapes and transcripts of any electronic surveillance of conversations involving the accused, any codefendant or witness in the case (See ¶ a, above.)
 - e. A written list of any names and addresses of the witnesses then known to the district attorney whom he or she intends on calling at trial;
 - f. Any written or recorded statements of the accused or of a codefendant, and the substance of any oral statements made to the police or prosecution by the accused or by a codefendant, if the trial is to be a joint one;
 - g. Any material or information which tends to negate the guilt of the accused as to the offense charged (including impeachment material/information) or would tend to reduce the punishment therefore.

11. The defense will file any objections to or motions for sanctions concerning discovery no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to trial.
12. The prosecution will disclose all material pertaining to any experts it intends on calling at trial no later than thirty-five (35) days prior to trial. This should include, at a minimum, the following:
 - a. The name, address, and phone number of the proposed expert;
 - b. The resume, curriculum vitae, or other explanation of the proposed expert's experience in the field including, if available, any publications by the proposed expert and the cases in which he or she has previously been permitted to opine as an expert;
 - c. Any reports or statements of the expert made in connection with the particular case, including the results of any physical or mental examinations and of scientific tests, experiments, or comparisons;
 - d. The underlying facts or data supporting the proposed expert's opinion;
 - e. If no report has been prepared by the proposed expert, a written summary of the expert's testimony describing his or her opinion and the bases and reasons therefor, including the results of physical mental examinations and of scientific tests, experiments, or comparisons.
13. The defense will file any objections to the proposed expert's testimony no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to trial.
14. The defense will disclose all material pertaining to any experts it intends on calling at trial no later than thirty-five (35) days prior to trial. This should include, at a minimum, the following:
 - a. The name, address, and phone number of the proposed expert;
 - b. The resume, curriculum vitae, or other explanation of the proposed expert's experience in the field, including, if available, any publications by the proposed expert and the cases in which he or she has previously been permitted to opine as an expert;
 - c. Any reports or statements of the expert made in connection with the particular case, including the results of any physical or mental examinations and of scientific tests, experiments, or comparisons;
 - d. The underlying facts or data supporting the proposed expert's opinion;
 - e. If no report has been prepared by the proposed expert, a written summary of the expert's testimony describing his or her opinion and the bases and reasons therefor, including the results of physical mental examinations and of scientific tests, experiments, or comparisons.

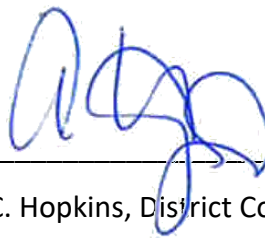
15. The prosecution will file any objections to the proposed expert's testimony no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to trial.
16. All witnesses for either party's case-in-chief will be endorsed no later than thirty-five (35) days prior to trial. Rebuttal witnesses are not required to be disclosed but doing so is highly encouraged.
17. The parties will do the following no later than twenty-eight (28) days prior to trial:
 - a. Advise that a plea has been reached;
 - b. Request a continuance of the trial;
 - c. File a motion to dismiss the case.

After this date, the trial will go forward as scheduled. If the deadline falls on the weekend or falls on a holiday, the deadline will be extended to the next day the Court is open.

18. Any persons with disabilities needing to request accommodations to attend and/or participate in court should contact the ADA Coordinator, Gaynell Elliott, at (719) 589-9661 or gaynell.elliott@judicial.state.co.us. You may also contact the Clerk of the Court or speak to the Judge handling your matter.

SO ORDERED THIS 1st DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026.

By:



Amanda C. Hopkins, District Court Judge