

November 10, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: Magistrate Lisa Stover

FROM: Judge Kenneth Vampola 

RE: County Court Appearances and Staff Reduction.

Attached to this memorandum is a copy of the November 10, 2020 Administrative Order for the Sixth Judicial District and a copy of the Court's November 10, 2020 Memorandum to Dodge County Attorneys. Please note the scheduling of cases on Tuesdays. As long as the public is being properly served without undue delay, I am approving a staff reduction on alternating days as you deem necessary to prevent the spread of COVID among the staff, the attorneys, and the public

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to your position.

IN THE COUNTY COURTS OF
THE NEBRASKA SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN RE: NOVEL CORONAVIRUS)
AND COVID-19 DISEASE) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
) EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 12, 2020
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In conjunction with the Administrative Order of the Chief Justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court issued November 6, 2020, the County Courts of the Sixth Judicial District issue this Administrative Order.

And further in recognition of the fact that the State of Nebraska is experiencing ongoing confirmed cases of COVID-19 via community transmission;

And further in recognition of the fact that the Health Department has suggested precautionary steps to mitigate the exposure and spread of the illness.

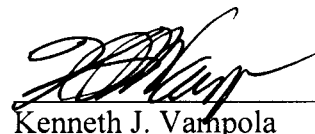
And further in recognition of the fact that many people have chronic medical conditions like diabetes or HIV which make them exceptionally vulnerable to the severe consequences of COVID-19; therefore

The date and time of all hearings will be set by the Court or by notice of counsel and Court Order. Judge Douglas Luebe will be responsible for scheduling in Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, and Thurston Counties. Judge Francis Barron will be responsible for scheduling in Burt and Washington Counties. Judge Kenneth Vampola will be responsible for Dodge County. Said Judges may make any necessary changes in their respective Courts as circumstances require. Clerk Magistrates, with the approval of said Judges, may instruct and schedule court staff to conform to this Administrative Order.

For all cases coming before the Court, the number of people in the courtroom will be limited and masks will be required for everyone in the courtroom. The Court recommends bringing your own masks and advise your clients. Reminder that **only** clients and counsel are allowed in the courtroom unless the hearing or trial requires other parties to appear.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 10th day of November 2020.



Kenneth J. Vampola
Presiding Judge
Sixth Judicial District



November 11, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dodge County Court Attorneys

FROM: Judge Kenneth Vampola 

RE: County Court Appearances

Due to ongoing confirmed cases of COVID-19 and by Administrative Order of the Chief Justice to limit exposure, the Dodge County Court will be hearing all matters according to dates and times set by the Court or by notice of counsel and Court Order.

Criminal Court appearances for Defendants without counsel will be set for 8:30 on Tuesdays. Defendants with counsel will be scheduled by the Court for appearances on an hourly basis. Written waiver of preliminary hearing is encouraged, if the circumstances allow.

For all cases coming before the Court, the number of people in the courtroom will be limited and masks will be required for everyone in the courtroom. The Court recommends bringing your own masks and advise your clients. The Court will provide disposable masks and hand sanitizer, if necessary. Reminder that **only** clients and counsel are allowed in the courtroom unless the hearing or trial requires other parties to appear.

Thank you for your cooperation.