

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN RE: ORDER ON COURT OPERATIONS)
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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE
OF DOUGLAS COUNTY,
NEBRASKA**

Douglas County Court modifies its operations as outlined below. The following changes are **effective December 1, 2022**:

1. Courtroom 226: Traffic pretrials and trials will be heard Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. On Thursdays, pretrials and trials shall be heard at 1:30 p.m. only.
2. Courtroom 227: Criminal pretrials and trials shall be heard Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
 - All Gun Appeals and Motions (except Motions in Limine) shall be scheduled and heard by the assigned Judge in Courtroom 227 on Thursdays at 1:30 p.m.
 - Motions in Limine shall be scheduled before the assigned Judge in either Courtroom 226 or 227 at either 9:00 a.m or 1:30 p.m.
3. Courtroom 625: Preliminary Hearings and Out of Custody Felony First Appearances shall be heard in Courtroom 625 at 9:00 a.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
4. Courtroom 50/331 shall operate as follows:
 - All matters will continue to be heard via WebEx videoconferencing.
 - Mondays - All felony and misdemeanor cases shall be heard at 12:30 p.m.
 - Tuesdays and Wednesdays – Felony cases shall be heard at 9:00 a.m. Misdemeanor cases shall be heard at 1:00 p.m.
 - Thursdays - All felony and misdemeanor cases shall be heard at 1:00 p.m.
 - Fridays - Felony cases shall be heard at 9:00 a.m. Felony and Misdemeanor cases shall be heard at 1:00 p.m.
 - “Time and cost” pleas may be scheduled at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
 - Counsel may schedule pleas with agreed upon Probation sentences at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays if the assigned Judge is on the bench in the Jail Courtroom.
5. Courtroom 228 shall operate as follows:
 - Arraignments shall be heard at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., except on Thursdays.
 - Thursdays – Request files may be scheduled in Courtroom 228 at 1:30 p.m. if the assigned Judge is not on the bench in another criminal/traffic courtroom.
6. All in-custody Probation pleas (except as outlined above) and bond reviews shall go before the assigned Judge, unless otherwise Ordered by the Presiding Judge or Designee. There shall be no bond reviews heard in the Jail Courtroom.

7. Sentencings and Protection Order hearings shall be held each Thursday at the assigned Judges' designated time and courtroom.
8. Civil Jury Trials shall resume at the direction of each Judge.
9. **Courtroom 229 shall operate as follows:**
 - a. **Arraignments shall only be heard on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 1:30 p.m.**
 - b. **Thursdays - Diversion Checks, Extradition Checks and Arraignments shall be heard at 1:30 p.m.**
 - c. **Courtroom 229 shall be closed on Criminal Jury Pretrials Days, Criminal Jury Trials and other days as ordered by the Presiding Judge or Designee.**
10. Any prior Administrative Order of this Court that conflicts with this Order is hereby rescinded.

DATED this 30 date of November, 2022.

BY THE COURT:



DEREK R. VAUGHN
Presiding Judge