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IN THE MATTER OF
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COURT

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) ORDER FOR CIVIL JURY TRIALS
) #38 FILED BEGINNING ON JANUARY 4, 2021
) DOUGLAS COUNTY NEBRASKA
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JOHN M. FRIEND
CLERK DISTRICT COURT

Due to the restrictions created by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, the Fourth Judicial District will reinstate the January 2021 Jury Panel for civil cases only subject to further authorization at a later date by the Douglas County COVID-19 committee. Please note that *voir dire* in civil cases will take place in the Douglas County Annex Building located at 1805 Harney Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68102 across the street from the Douglas County Courthouse. The Douglas County Annex Building is undergoing renovation to make it a suitable establishment for jury selection. The renovation will be completed by December 31, 2020. The jury trial cases will be limited to the following District Court Judges on their assigned specific dates: Jury trials will be limited to the following civil cases:

Jury selection schedule for January 2021 Civil Cases Only:

- Monday January 4, 2021**
- Back up 1:**
- Back up 2:**
- Back up 3:**

[GLEASON]

Wednesday, January 6, 2021 CI-18-5157 Robin Jessen-ingram v. Jackson Matolek
(Michael Mullen/ Karen Bailey)

Back up 1: CI-19-5037 Edward Delatorre v. Darlene Gareau (Wesley Bain/ Kevin O'Keefe/Brian Nolan)

Back up 2: CI-19-6671 Barbara Bottieri v. Rebekah K. Todd Kelsey (Kelsey Weiler/ Christopher Sievers)

[RANDALL*] JANUARY 6, 2021

Monday, January 11, 2021 CR20-617 St. v. R. Dye (Desiree Stormont/Kyle Melia)
NOTE THIS IS A CRIMINAL CASE

[BATAILLON]

Wednesday, January 13, 2021 CR 19-2145, St. v. Elvis Hanes, (David Wear/Travis Wampler) (Stratman requesting 50 jurors) **NOTE THIS IS A CRIMINAL CASE**

Back-up 1: CI 19-2619, Russell-Doesseh v. Oehlerts, (Jerome Okolo/Karen Bailey)

[STRATMAN]

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

Back-up 1:

Back-up 2:

Back-up 3:

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Wednesday, January 20, 2021 CI-14-3884 - Pell v. Heikes (Ronald Palagi/Thomas Grennan)

[DOUGHERTY]

Monday, January 25, 2021 CI-19-7049 Geurtz v. Progressive (James Welsh/Joel Feistner)

Back-up 1: CI-19-4751 Loving v. Bimbo Bakeries (Ari Riekes/Brian Nolan)

Back-up 2: CI-19-6182 Campbell v. Eule (Jeremiah Elliott/Christopher Sievers)

Back-up 3: CI-18-9858 Kelley v. Newman (Joseph Howard/Douglas Krenzer)

[SCHATZ]

Wednesday, January 27, 2021 CI-18-9307 Pike v Andrews(Schicker/R. Keith)

[BURNS]

Jury summonses for the January 2021 jury panel have been mailed.

Douglas County District Courts have taken measures to mitigate the effects of this public health emergency upon our Courts and its participants. The Court finds that having additional trials during the month of December would be impossible due to the ongoing social distancing restrictions for the public. Based on the guidelines of local

health officials “a minimum distance of six (6) feet between” all persons is recommended. The Douglas County Courthouse and Courtrooms do not have the space available to accommodate any additional jury trials while at the same time maintaining social distancing restrictions. The Court recognizes that the guidelines recommended by the local health officials are not legally binding on the Court, but the Court, nonetheless, finds that adherence to these recommendations is in the best interest of the public for their health and safety.

Due to the restrictions caused by the pandemic, the Court finds that all other civil cases scheduled for the January, 2021 jury panel are continued for good cause to the next available trial date for the individual court.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Dated this 24th day of November, 2020.

BY THE COURT:



HORACIO J. WHEELOCK
PRESIDING JUDGE, FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT