

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

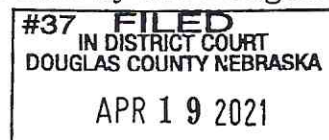
IN THE MATTER OF ) MS 21-47  
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 ) FIRST AMENDED  
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COURT ) CRIMINAL JURY TRIALS  
 ) BEGINNING ON JUNE 1, 2021  
 ) IN THE DOUGLAS COUNTY  
 ) LEGISLATIVE CHAMBERS  
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On December 11, 2020, the Court entered General Order MS20-110 which canceled the jury panels for the months of January and February 2021. The Court entered this Order due to the Court's inability to safely call and retain an adequate cross-section of jurors, and the effect of following the rapidly evolving public health recommendations on the availability of parties, counsel, citizens accused, law enforcement officers, and court staff. Consequently, the backlog of criminal and civil cases requesting jury trials has increased. In consideration of the constitutional and statutory right to a speedy trial enjoyed by citizens accused in criminal cases, and due to the ongoing restrictions created by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, the Fourth Judicial District will reinstate the June 2021 Jury Panel solely for criminal cases only.

The *voir dire* in the below-listed criminal cases will take place in the Douglas County Legislative Chambers located at 1819 Farnam Street, LC4, Omaha, Nebraska 68183 located on the second floor of the Douglas County Civic Center. The jury trials will be limited to the following District Court Judges on their assigned specific dates. The jury trials will be limited to the following criminal cases that have been scheduled.

All civil cases previously scheduled for jury trial are continued for good cause to alleviate the backlog associated with the citizens accused who await to assert their constitutional and statutory right to trial by jury in criminal cases.

Due to the restrictions created by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, the Fourth Judicial District will reinstate the June 2021 Jury Panel for criminal cases only subject to further authorization at a later date by the Douglas County



COVID-19 committee. Jury Selection Jury trials will be limited to the following criminal cases:

**Jury selection schedule for June 2021 Criminal Cases Only:**

**Tuesday, June 1, 2021** CR20-640 State v Barnes / Meckna/ Lucas

**Back-up 1:** CR20-2836 State v Borelli / Alioth / Wampler

**Back-up 2:** CR20-3416 State v Deng / Miller / Petersen

**Back-up 3:** CR20-1307 State v Powers / Lavery / Long

**Back-up 3:** CR20-3829 State v Vytlas / Lindberg / Tlustos

**Back-up 4:** CR20-294 State v Harper / Alagaban / Naatz

**[MASTELLER]**

**Wednesday, June 2, 2021-** CR-20-1916 St. v. Lamont Cameron-Ass. 2nd Deg;Use of a Firearm to commit fel.; Poss by Prohibited Person- Jacobsen/Davis

**Back up 1-**CR19-1802 St v. David Shroyer- False Imprisonment; Sex. Ass. 1st Degree; Ass. 2nd Degree- Hurley/West

**Back-up 2-** CR21-41- St v. Michelle Davis- Terroristic Threats- Delehant/ Hoetger

**Back-up 3-** CR20-15- St. v. Curtis Pittman-Child Abuse- Stormont/Davis

**Back-up 4-** CR20-36- St. v. James Sacco, Jr. - 2nd Deg. Ass. by Strang or Suff.; BurglaryStormont/Pfeffer

**Back-up 5-** CR20-1754- St. v. Malik Bahati- Poss of a Firearm by Prohibited Person- Jacobsen/Tlustos

**Back-up 6-** CR21-175- St. v. Carrie Marion-Ass. 2nd Deg; Use of a Weap. to commit a Fel.- Delehant/Jaeger

**Back-up 7** CR21-396- St. v. Quartez Norwood- Robbery- MacTaggart/D. Johnson

**Back-up- 8** CR20-2460;21-59- St. v. Elizabeth Heinrich- Theft by Shoplifting; Criminal Poss. of Trans. Device- Lavery/ A. Albertsen

**[DERR]**

**Monday, June 7, 2021** - CR 19-3207 State v. Hoffman - B. Beninato/Kaz Long

**Back-up 1:** CR 19-3734 State v. Segovia-Ramirez - S. Lavery/A. Jelinske/M. Donahue

**Back-up 2:** CR 20-3264 State v. Tenski - M. Keane/J. Crosby

**Back-up 3:** CR 20-4023 State v. Kyle - D.Delehant/B. Craig

**Back-up 4:** CR 18-4186 State v. Aaron - M. Jensen/Kaz Long

**Back-up 5:** CR 20-2463 State v. Bryson - A. Jacobsen/E. Chandler

**[COFFEY]**

**Wednesday, June 9, 2021** CR 20-2212 State v. John Looney False Imprisonment, Terr. Threats, Use of Firearm, Poss of Firearm R. Lindberg/ James Scarff

**Back-up 1:** CR 20-2211 St. v. Thianna Legon False Imprison., Accessory, Criminal Impers. R. Lindberg/ J. Troia (this case may be consolidated with the primary case at CR 20-2212)

**Back-up 2:** CR 19-3901 St. v. Raymond Patterson Poss of Firearm by Proh. Person M. Jensen/ S. Dornan

**[BATAILLON]**

**Monday, June 14, 2021** **Primary:** CR 20-1429 State v. Yasir Kamil Sex Assault on a Child 1st Degree - 2 Counts Sean Lavery/Karen Hicks & Renee Mathias

**Backup 1:** CR 20-3098 State v. Mario Taylor Image/Video a Person without Consent Erin Hurley/Travis Wampler

**Backup 2:** CR 20-2042 State v. James Dabner Sex Assault in the First Degree Sean Lavery/April Lucas

**Backup 3:** CR 21-96 State v. Anthony Caffey Possession of Deadly Weapon by Prohibited Person Ryan Lindberg/Joseph Howard

**Backup 4:** CR 20-3937 State v. Maria Wolpert DUI 4th Offense

Ryan Lindberg/Lori Hoetger

**Backup 5:** CR 20-4210 State v. Christopher Klimantas Theft by Shoplifting  
3 or More Nissa Jones/Megan Jeffrey

**Backup 6:** CR 21-231 State v. Jessica Arnold Possession of Controlled  
Substance Corey Rothrock/Molly Bertelson

**[SCHATZ]**

**Wednesday, June 16, 2021 - Primary:** CR21-616 State v. Lam, Dak Nissa  
Jones/Korey Taylor

**Back-up 1:** CR19-4617 State v. Bollig, Jason - Jen Meckna/Ryan  
Hoffman

**Back-up 2:** CR19-4616 State v. Bollig, Jason - Jen Meckna/Ryan  
Hoffman

**Back-up 3:** CR20-3287 State v. Burale, Fuad - Nissa Jones/Abbi Romshek

**Backup 4:** CR20-2823 State v. Mays, Zachary - Molly Keane/James Crampton  
**[DOUGHERTY]**

**Monday, June 21, 2021**

**Back-up 1:**

**Back-up 2:**

**Back-up 3:**

**[AVAILABLE TIME SLOT]**

**Wednesday, June 23, 2021** CR19-2918 State v. Nyir Kuek (Amy  
Jacobsen/Thomas Riley)

**[POLK]**

Jury summonses for the June 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 June 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 criminal cases scheduled for the June, 2021 jury panel are continued for good cause pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-1207(4)(f) to the next available trial date for the individual court.

**IT IS SO ORDERED**

Dated this 19th day of April, 2021.

BY THE COURT:



HORACIO J. WHEELOCK  
PRESIDING JUDGE, FOURTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT