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# IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PAYETTE

STATE OF IDAHO,	)
Plaintiff,	)
	)
VS	) Case No. CR38-25-1295
	)
STACEY WONDRA,	ORDER GOVERNING
Defendant.	) COURTROOM/COURTHOUSE CONDUCT

This Order shall govern courtroom conduct and media activities within the courtroom in this matter and may be amended as from time to time in the discretion of the Court.

The Court is mindful of the need to balance (1) the Defendant's constitutional right to a fair hearing; (2) the public's right to information in conjunction with the constitutional and statutory rights of the media to attend court proceedings; (3) the Court's interest in maintaining order and an environment which permits all participants to focus on their responsibilities without undue distractions; and (4) the Court's interest in the safety of the public and court personnel, and the need to follow all Idaho Supreme Court orders and Third Judicial District Administrative Orders.

With these factors in mind, and pursuant to Idaho Court Administrative Rules (ICAR) 45 and 49, the court orders as follows:

#### 1. COURTROOM SEATING AND ATTENDANCE

# A. <u>Seating for Victim's Family, Defendant's Family; Counsel, Other Court Personnel.</u>

Certain seating may be reserved for counsel, authorized court personnel, the victim's family and the defendant's family. Such reservation shall be designated and managed by the Trial Court Administrator and/or Court Marshals.

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# B. Pooled Media.

The representatives of the media serving as the pooled camera staff, shall be seated in an area approved by the Court, as designated by the Trial Court Administrator or Court Marshals, subject to a limit of three (3) media members operating the pooled broadcast/recording of the proceedings (1) media member handling the pooled still photography.

- C. <u>Public and Additional Media.</u> The public and members of the media not designated as pooled media, may be permitted in the courtroom as space permits on a first come basis. No person may reserve seats. **No standing in the courtroom will be allowed.**
- D. <u>Seating in Front of the Bar.</u> No person other than authorized court personnel, the Defendant, the counsel and their staff shall be permitted to sit in front of the bar of the courtroom without specific authorization of the Court.
- E. <u>Entry and Exit During Court Proceedings.</u> Spectators, including members of the media and the public, shall be seated before court is in session and shall remain seated until the proceedings are in session. No entry or re-entry to the court room shall be permitted while court is in session.

## 2. GENERAL RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

- A. <u>Security Screening.</u> All persons entering the courtroom are subject to security screening. Handbags, backpacks, and other carry-ins are subject to inspection and may be denied entry at the discretion of the Court and Court Marshals.
- B. <u>Cell Phones.</u> With the exception of approved media, Counsel and their staff and Court Personnel; cell phones and other electronics are not permitted in the courtroom. If a cell phone or other electronic device makes any noise or report, or is found to in the courtroom, it will be confiscated by the Court Marshal.
- C. <u>Other Electronic Devices.</u> Court Personnel, Counsel and their staff, and Members of the media may utilize laptops, tablets, or other similar devices for the purposes of note

taking but SHALL NOT record or transmit images or audio into or out of the courtroom. Any violation of this rule will result in confiscation of the device.

D. <u>Disruptive Behavior</u>. Any activity or behavior which is considered disruptive by the Court will result in removal from the courtroom. Any spectator who creates a visual or auditory disturbance of the court proceedings will be removed from the courtroom and/or the building at any time at the discretion of the Court and Court Marshals and may not be permitted to return.

### 3. MEDIA COVERAGE

- A. Accessibility of Video, Audio and Still Images. If the Court allows by a separate order, cameras in the courtroom and orders that the media coverage be pooled, all video and audio and still images recorded or captured by the permitted cameras shall be made accessible to and shared with any other member of the media or media outlet upon request by the media member or outlet. The media must be produced at the time of the request or as soon as it is available to the media outlet capturing the information. Members of the media shall designate and agree on the operator of each camera permitted pursuant to ICAR 45(f).
- B. <u>Courtroom Media Requirements.</u> Media representatives and their equipment will be located in an area of the courtroom designated by the Trial Court Administrator or Court Marshals. Any traditional still camera shall have a silent shutter. No flash photography is allowed. The number and placement of cameras being used to capture and record the court proceedings shall be subject to the approval of the Court. No movement around the courtroom will be allowed during court proceedings. Video and audio equipment shall not be set up nor disassembled at any time while court is in session.
- C. Restrictions on Video, Audio and Still Images. Photography, video, and audio will not be permitted during any recess in the court proceedings. "Recess" means any time the judge is not at the bench or court is not in session. No recording of any kind shall be made of any bench conference ("side bar") between the Court and counsel, any conferences between counsel and their client or any conferences between counsel or between counsel and their staff. No Video or still photography shall be taken of any victim papers, documents, or notes which may be located on or around counsel tables or used by counsel.

- D. <u>Interviews and Reporting.</u> No media interviews or reporting shall be conducted in the courtroom.
- E. <u>Media Inquiries.</u> Media inquiries and communications regarding these matters shall be directed to:

**Nate Poppino**, Idaho Supreme Court Communications Manager at: <a href="mailto:npoppino@idcourts.net">npoppino@idcourts.net</a> or by phone at: (208) 296-9055; or

**Benita Miller,** Third Judicial District Trial Court Administrator at: bmiller@idcourts.gov or by phone at: (208) 454-7360.

F. <u>ICAR 45 and 49.</u> All other provisions of Idaho Court Administrative Rules (ICAR) 45 and 49 shall apply to these proceedings and any authorization under this Order may be revoked at any time without prior notice.

#### 4. SECURITY

- A. <u>Courthouse Area Security.</u> Security officers may quiet or disperse members of the public or the media so that they do not hinder other members of the public or court staff from having access to the building and to the Clerk of Courts office and the other courtrooms in the building.
- B. <u>Disruptive Behavior</u>. Any activity or behavior which is considered disruptive by the Court will result in removal. Any spectator who creates a visual or auditory disturbance of the court proceedings may be removed from the courtroom and/or the building at any time at the discretion of Court or security personnel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

November 7, 2025.

Judge Brian Lee