

DIVISION A'S IN-PERSON PROCEEDINGS

October 1, 2021 until further notice:

1. **October 1, 2021** is the hard date for in-person proceedings for Division A. This means that **all** of our court proceedings will be **in-person only**, unless granted special circumstances by the Judge only. The Defendants will need to be transported to all in-person proceedings, unless the Court advises them not to be transported.

If counsel, defendant or witness wishes to appear via Zoom link on or after October 1st, they will need to provide the Court a proper filed Motion including the reasoning why the appearance of Zoom is needed, along with a proposed order. Counsel will no longer be able to email to request appearance by Zoom for themselves or clients.

Monday: Branum/Fuchs

9:00 AM: Private Counsel/Regional Conflict Counsel

10:00 AM: Public Defenders Office

Tuesday: Fernandes/Thompson/Varrone

9:00 AM: Private Counsel/Regional Conflict Counsel

10:00 AM: Public Defenders Office

2. Mental Health Hearings will now need to be special set, when they are over 2 minutes and not left on the Case Management dockets.

3. Jury Selection will still be on Mondays with an AM and PM selection, as previously started on July 12, 2021 in Courtroom 3A at 8:30 AM. Trials will begin on the Tuesday, unless the Trial set is a pick and go.

4. In-Custody Pleas will now go to back to Case Management Conference days but will be capped right now at **7** defendants (***In-Custody & Out of Custody***) at 9:00 AM and **7** defendants (***In-Custody & Out of Custody***) at 10:00 AM, with all defendants needing to be transported for the pleas. Division A will also keep with having In-Custody Plea docket every Thursday Docket Sounding day at 2:00 PM, with the cap still being **10** defendants (***In-Custody Only***) only.

5. Out of Custody Pleas for Judge Carroll only are going to be one Friday out of each month, morning only at this point.

6. Copies of Plea Forms are still required to be submitted to Judge Carroll before the plea hearing date. The form does not need to be signed by the Defendant, just the ***unsigned copy*** would do. He likes the ability to review all pleas beforehand.

7. No Rocket Docket until further notice, but at this point is subject to change.