

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2008 - 9**

**REGARDING THE OPERATION OF VIDEO, AUDIO  
OR PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT IN COURT FACILITIES**

WHEREAS, Idaho Court Administrative Rule 45 authorizes video, audio, and photographic coverage of public proceedings, subject to the discretion of the presiding judge; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho Court Administrative Rule 45(e) further provides that the administrative district judge shall promulgate rules governing “coverage outside the courtroom in courthouses within the judicial district;” and

WHEREAS, the courthouse is a public facility, and print and electronic media have access to public facilities, subject to confidentiality standards and public safety concerns;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Within a Courtroom. The operation of any video, audio or photographic equipment within a courtroom shall be limited to those proceedings where the presiding judge has expressly authorized that operation pursuant to ICAR 45, with whatever additional limitations or conditions the judge deems reasonable, and which authorization may, in the presiding judge’s

discretion, cover multiple proceedings, but which shall not bind any subsequent judge to whom the case may be assigned, and which may be rescinded by the presiding judge at any time;

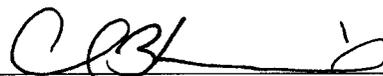
2. Into a Courtroom. No filming or pictures of court proceedings, litigants, jurors, court personnel or other persons shall be permitted through courtroom doors or windows in any case;

3. Outside of a Courtroom. The operation of video, audio or photographic equipment outside of a courtroom and within the hallways and public areas of court facilities in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District does not ordinarily require specific judicial approval beyond this administrative order, but such equipment shall not be set up or used in such a way as to create a security problem, or impede the free flow of traffic through the hallways or other public areas of the courthouse, or otherwise interfere in the administration of justice; and each judge has discretion to restrict or bar the operation of such equipment in hallways and public areas at any time;

4. Prohibitions. No filming or pictures of litigants in proceedings which are closed to the public, nor of jurors or prospective jurors, shall be permitted in and around court facilities;

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008



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Carl B. Kerrick  
Administrative District Judge