

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

To: Fourth District Bar, General Public, Idaho Supreme Court

From: Ada County District and Magistrate Judges

Re: Civil Motion Calendar

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The COVID-19 Emergency has severely restricted the resources to hold in-person, video and telephonic hearings. The Judges of the Fourth Judicial District want to keep the bar and public informed. We want you to know that even though we will not be able to conduct jury and court trials right now, we are committed to keeping all cases moving through the court system. This message focuses on civil cases.

Each Fourth District Judge may, except as provided below under exceptions, decide any civil motion filed pursuant to the Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure on the written motions, briefs/memoranda, declarations and affidavits. The Judge will not be required to hold a hearing in person or via telephone or video conference.

The Judge should set a briefing schedule for the motion. Such schedule will supersede the time limits in I.R.C.P. Rule 7(A)(B) and (C) and Rule 56(b)(2).

Exceptions. This procedure shall not apply to motions filed pursuant I.R.C.P. Rule 59, 74, 75 or to Judicial Review of Agency Actions where a trial de novo is required (I.R.C.P. Rule 84(e)(1)(C)).

This procedure also does not apply to motion practice under the Idaho Family Law Rules which are already governed by Idaho Family Law Rules of Procedure 501 and 504.