

IN THE SUPREME COURT  
OF THE  
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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*Shirley A. Johnson Lepp*  
Clerk

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RE:

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA )  
COUNTY OF MEADE ) SS

IN CIRCUIT COURT  
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

IN RE THE ADMINISTRATION OF )  
THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT )  
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ORDER APPROVING  
  
EMERGENCY ORDER RE:  
GRAND AND PETIT JURORS FOR  
CALENDAR YEAR 2020

By the Court's Order of March 13, 2020, Declaring Judicial  
Emergency COVID-19 Disease the South Dakota Supreme Court declared the  
existence of a judicial emergency pursuant to SDCL 16-3- 11 through 15  
and pursuant to the Court's authority to administer justice and to  
ensure the safety of court personnel, litigants and the public, it is

ORDERED that the attached Emergency Order Re: (Butte,  
Lawrence and Meade Counties) Grand and Petit Jurors for Calendar Year  
2020, dated April 14, 2020, be and it is hereby approved in its  
entirety.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall remain in effect  
until further order of the Court.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota this 14th day of April, 2020.

BY THE COURT:

*David Gilbertson*

David Gilbertson, Chief Justice

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*  
Clerk of the Supreme Court  
(SEAL)

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As a result of the public health emergency and judicial emergency that currently exist in the State of South Dakota caused by the outbreak of respiratory coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Fourth Judicial Circuit hereby issues the following Order:

WHEREAS, the presiding judge of each circuit or a judge of the circuit designated by him, shall prescribe the manner in which jury panels are to be utilized for the trial of cases in the counties of the circuit and how they shall be summoned. SDCL 16-13-37;

WHEREAS, the presiding judge of each circuit may vary the terms of the random jury selection process to meet local conditions in any county or jury district in the circuit if such changes are consistent with the terms of SDCL Ch. 16-13. SDCL 16-13-18.3;

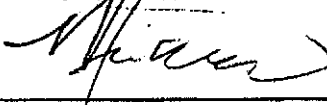
WHEREAS, the Supreme Court may, by rule, make provisions to see that SDCL Ch. 16-13 is enforced properly in every county within the state. SDCL 16-13-18.2;

WHEREAS, the Chief Justice filed an Order Declaring Judicial Emergency on March 13, 2020 authorizing the presiding judges of South Dakota's seven judicial circuits to adopt, modify, and suspend court rules and orders and to take further actions concerning court operations, as warranted to address the spread of COVID-19 in their areas; it is hereby

ORDERED that the terms of the currently serving petit and grand jurors in Butte, Lawrence, and Meade counties of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, shall be extended until December 31, 2020.

Dated at Belle Fourche, South Dakota this 9th day of April, 2020.

BY THE COURT:

  
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Michael W. Day  
Presiding Judge

Attest:  
Keszler, Linda  
Clerk/Deputy



Filed on: 04/09/2020 MEADE

County, South Dakota 46CIV20-000001