

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF FREMONT**

STATE OF IDAHO,

Plaintiff,

vs.

LORI NORENE VALLOW,
a/k/a LORI NORENE DAYBELL

Defendant.

Case No. CR22-21-1624

**ORDER GOVERNING
COURTROOM CONDUCT - ADA
COUNTY COURTROOM & ADA
COUNTY OVERFLOW VIEWING
LOCATION**

In order to provide for the orderly disposition of this case, this Order shall govern the conduct of the public and media in the Ada County Courtroom where the jury trial is proceeding, as well as in any overflow viewing room in the Ada County Courthouse. This Order shall supersede any prior Order Governing Courtroom Conduct in this case and may be amended from time to time.

The court is mindful of the need to balance (1) the constitutional right of the defendant to a fair trial; (2) the public's interest and right to information in conjunction with certain constitutional and statutory rights for the public to attend the 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 jurors, the public and court and security personnel.

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

1) SEATING AND ATTENDANCE IN ADA COUNTY JURY TRIAL COURTROOM

A) Seating for Victim(s), Families of Defendant, Counsel, Other Court Personnel.

Certain seating may be reserved for members of counsel, authorized court personnel, security personnel and the defendant's family and the victims' families.

B) Public Seating. Subject to the need for reserved seating referenced in 1(A), seating for the public will be permitted, on a first come basis, subject to a reservation system, to be administered by the Trial Court Administrator's Office in Ada County, subject to approval by the Fourth Judicial District Administrative District Judge (ADJ). Details and

instructions how to access the reservation system for seats within the courtroom where they jury trial is conducted will be published on the following website: <https://adacounty.id.gov/judicial-court/vallow-daybell-trial/> beginning on or about March 7, 2023. There will be no priority or designated seating for the media. No person may reserve seats, except through the reservation system addressed above. **No standing in the courtroom will be allowed.**

- C) **Seating in Front of the Bar.** No one other than court personnel designated by the Court, the Defendant, the attorneys and their assistants shall be permitted to access or sit in front of the bar of the courtroom without specific authorization of the Court.
 - D) **Entry and Exit During Court Proceedings.** All spectators, including members of the media and the public, shall be seated before court is in session during any portion of a hearing. No entry or re-entry to the courtroom shall be permitted while court is in session.
- 2) **OTHER RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS WITHIN ADA COUNTY JURY TRIAL COURTROOM**

- A) **Security Screening.** All persons entering the jury trial courtroom may be subject to additional security screening. Handbags, backpacks, and other carry-ins are subject to inspection.
- B) **Cell Phones & Other Electronic Devices in Courtroom.** Cell phones, pagers, laptops or any other electronic device shall be turned off or be in “silent mode” and shall not make any sound or create any distraction. Devices SHALL NOT be used to record, photograph or transmit any sounds, images or video from the Ada County Courtroom. No one may talk on a cell phone in the courtroom. Laptops may be used in the courtroom if cameras and microphones are disabled. Under no circumstances may such laptops be used to for any audio or video recording, or photography of the court proceedings being projected or of any persons attending the courtroom.
- C) **Interviews and Reporting.** No media interviews or reporting shall be conducted inside the courtroom.
- D) **Disruptive Behavior.** Any activity or behavior which is considered disruptive may result in removal from the courtroom. Any spectator who creates a visual or auditory disturbance may be removed from the overflow viewing location and/or the building at any time at the discretion of court security personnel.

