

**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,  
  
v.  
  
CHAD GUY DAYBELL,  
  
Defendant.

Case No. CR22-21-1623

**ORDER**  
NON-DISSEMINATION ORDER

Counsel in this case have recently raised concerns about pervasive media coverage. Questionnaires have now been completed by prospective jurors who are admonished to avoid further media exposure to the case, or investigation into this case. The Court is now advised, and has confirmed, that counsel for the Defense participated in an interview with a reporter about this case, which interview has now been publicly broadcast during this stage where unbiased jurors are being sought. In light of this, and in the interest of impaneling an unbiased jury, and to assist in insulating the attorneys from further media requests, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 1-1603, the Court hereby enters the following Order:

The attorneys for any interested party in this case, or any attorney who has previously represented any party to this case, including the prosecuting attorney, defense attorney, and any attorney representing a witness, victim, or victim’s family, are prohibited from making extrajudicial statements (written or oral) concerning this case between March 28, 2024 and April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, or until after opening statements have been presented with evidence underway, if that occurs before April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

This order specifically prohibits any statement, which a reasonable person would expect to be disseminated by means of public communication that relates to the following:

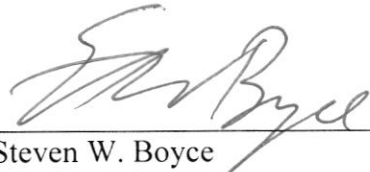
- a. Evidence regarding the occurrences or transactions involved in the case;
- b. The character, credibility, reputation, or criminal record of a party, victim, or witness, or the identity of a witness, or the expected testimony of a party, victim, or witness;
- c. Any opinion as to the merits of the case or the claims or defense of a party;
- d. Any information a lawyer knows or reasonably should know is likely to be inadmissible as evidence in a trial and that would, if disclosed, create a substantial risk of prejudicing an impartial trial; or which could potentially taint or influence a prospective juror who has not been yet impaneled and sworn, or advised to avoid media reporting on this case.
- e. Any information reasonably likely to interfere with a fair trial in this case afforded under the United States and Idaho Constitution, such as the existence or contents of any confession, admission, or statement given by the Defendant, the possibility of a plea deal, or any opinion as to the Defendant's guilt or innocence.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no individual covered by this order shall avoid its proscriptions by actions directly or indirectly, but deliberately, that result in violating this order.

Should improper media intrusion occur, conflicting with the terms of this Order, affected parties are to inform the Court immediately whereby the Court may take further action.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated this 28 day of March, 2024.

  
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Steven W. Boyce  
District Judge

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 28th day of March, 2024, the foregoing Order was entered and a true and correct copy was served upon the parties listed below by mailing, with the correct postage thereon, or by causing the same to be delivered to their courthouse boxes; by causing the same to be hand-delivered, by facsimile, or by e-mail.

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