

**CHIEF JUDGE ORDER 2020-08  
STATE OF COLORADO  
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

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**COVID-19 ORDER REGARDING EMERGENCY  
AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE FOR THE FIRST JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT TO REMAIN OPEN**

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This order is being issued to provide guidance during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.

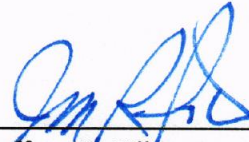
Effective immediately, the Court finds that Virginia A. Frazer-Abel, Esq., of Frazer-Abel Law, LLC, as the Public Administrator for Colorado's First Judicial District, and her duly appointed Deputy Public Administrator, Ronald Servis, Esq., and the employees of their respective offices and contract vendors who provide legal and administrative support to the Public Administrator's Office, perform essential services on behalf of vulnerable residents of Colorado's First Judicial District and in other Judicial Districts where they may be appointed as Conservator, Special Administrator, Trustee, or Personal Representative.

The Court hereby orders that the Public Administrator's Office may remain open in the event of any governmental closure order restricting operation of business in Jefferson and Gilpin Counties due to COVID-19. The Public Administrator's Office may remain open to specifically address the essential functions of decedent estate administration, conservatorship administration for at-risk adults and minors, and to assist in the timely handling of remains of recently deceased residents of the First Judicial District and any other judicial district where they may be appointed. These essential functions include, but are not limited to, securing real and tangible property; managing and liquidating assets to pay necessary expenses and creditors; the disposition of remains by cremation, burial or donation; and searching for family

members of recently deceased citizens. All duties shall be carried out consistent with this order and C.R.S. §15-12-619 through C.R.S. §15-12-623.

To the extent there is a conflict between other orders, this order governs until ordered otherwise.

March 27, 2020



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Jeffrey R. Pilkington, Chief Judge  
First Judicial District