

A/V ORDER

1. Audio and video recording, broadcasting, and livestreaming will be allowed only from Courtroom 1856 of the Hennepin County Government Center. Only matters that are on the record are subject to audio coverage.
2. No photography, still photography, or audio recording may be conducted in any other Hennepin County Government Center location where the use of recording devices is otherwise prohibited.
3. Up to three video cameras may be installed in the sentencing courtroom: one in the back of the courtroom facing the witness stand, one on the wall behind the jury box, and one on or near the bench facing the lectern. After sentencing begins, cameras will not be moved from their fixed positions.
4. Video cameras will be installed and operated by the media organization (“Pool Producer”), previously selected by the Court for trial. The Pool Producer will also be responsible for producing a single transmission feed to the Court for use in overflow courtrooms and to media outlets for recording, broadcasting, and livestreaming. The Pool Producer will not be compensated for its operation of the cameras and production of the single transmission feed. Neither the Pool Producer nor any media outlet will hold a copyright or any other intellectual property right for any of the raw footage from cameras or the single transmission feed that is produced that would prevent any other media outlet or entity from using, broadcasting, or sharing the footage or any other free use thereof. The Pool Producer shall also manage an audio, still photography, and video feed from the computers and may include such footage in its production of the single transmission feed. Finally, the Pool

Producer will provide a “YouTube ready” version of the single transmission feed for the Minnesota Judicial Branch to use as it wishes.

5. Pan, tilt, and zoom (PTZ) functions of cameras may be used at the discretion of the Pool Producer, but with the following limitations:
 - a. No witness under the age of 18 shall appear in any video unless the witness and at least one parent or guardian of the witness consents in writing before the witness is called. Audio coverage shall be allowed regardless of whether video is allowed.
 - b. No members of the Wright or Potter families shall appear in any video unless they consent in writing or orally on the record. Audio coverage shall be allowed regardless of whether video is allowed.
 - c. No video of counsel tables, including video of counsel for the State, the defendant, or defense counsel, shall be allowed unless all tables, counsel and parties are visible in the image (i.e., no zooming in on any one table of participants).
 - d. The camera on or near the bench cannot be positioned or manipulated to view anything on the horizontal surface of the bench.
 - e. Camera PTZ functions shall be performed remotely and as quietly as possible so as to be imperceptible to sentencing participants.
6. The Pool Producer shall have a technician present in the courtroom during sentencing to troubleshoot and to facilitate communication between the Court and the Pool Producer.
7. No microphones will be placed at any counsel table and no audio coverage of conversations occurring at counsel tables shall be allowed.
8. Within two weeks of the conclusion of sentencing, the Pool Producer will provide to the Fourth Judicial District Administrator one copy of the single transmission feed. The

District Administrator will file a copy of the single transmission feed as a court exhibit in this case. The format of the copy should be in a format approved by the Court.

BY THE COURT:

Dated: February 2, 2022

Regina M. Chu
Judge of District Court