



ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 24-01

RE: OFF THE RECORD CONTINUANCES

This administrative order is being issued regarding requests for the Court to allow off the record continuances.

The Court recognizes that CrRLJ 3.4 allows for defendants to appear at hearings through their attorneys, and a typical agreed continuance takes only a few minutes. Attorneys often travel to SeaTac Municipal Court solely to enter an agreed continuance. Effective immediately, the Court adopts the following policy regarding off the record continuances:

OFF THE RECORD CONTINUANCES: The Court will allow the first three (3) pretrial hearings to be continued off the record by an agreed order in OCourt provided that the defendant is in full compliance with all pretrial release conditions. The order must include the reason for the continuance, an acknowledgement that will be handled off the record and that the defendant agrees to the case being continued off the record, and the next court date.

Dated this 8th day of October, 2024

Pauline Freund, Presiding Judge