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**MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
MADISON COUNTY**

<p>STATE OF MONTANA,</p> <p>Plaintiff,</p> <p>v.</p> <p>JESSE MICHAEL BOYD, BETHANY GRACE BOYD, CARTER NORMAN PHILLIPS, ERIC ANTHONY TRENT,</p> <p>Defendant(s).</p>	<p>Cause No(s). DC-29-2022-23 DC-29-2022-24 DC-29-2022-22 DC-29-2022-26</p> <p>ORDER FOR IN-CAMERA REVIEW</p>
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BASED UPON the Defendant's *Response to First Motion to Compel* (Ct. Doc. #60) containing the allegation that the State is complicit in the intimidation of defense witnesses during the pendency of this case, the State's recognition that such a grave accusation should not be treated lightly and implicates the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct, and for good cause appearing, therefore:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendants shall provide the District Court with all evidence that supports the claim that the State Attorney's General Office has "harassed or intimidated" any witness during the pendency of this proceeding. Such evidence shall be filed under seal by close of business on March 17, 2023, and shall be reviewed in-camera to assess the veracity of the Defendants' claim. If necessary, the District Court will thereafter set a show cause hearing to determine why counsel for the State should not be held in contempt, or why counsel for the Defendants should not be held in contempt and/or removed from the case pursuant to Rule VI(I) of the Amended Rules for Admission to the Bar of Montana.

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