



OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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Defense Attorneys:

Our office releases requests for Discovery by forwarding a link to Defense Counsel using the CDAC eDiscovery Program. The Discovery packets created by our office are uploaded to the eDiscovery website, which provides you with instant email notifications of the available Discovery, and prompts you to log in and access your discoverable documents.

It is important that you register to receive your Discovery through the CDAC eDiscovery Program by going to the website: <https://ediscovery.state.co.us>. If you have not already registered, please do so as soon as possible. If you have registered with any District Attorney's Office in Colorado, you can download your Discovery from all Districts that are now using the eDiscovery system.

Detailed instructions are attached to this letter. Defense, (ADC, Public Defenders and Private Defense Attorneys) will have the convenience of downloading most discovery materials as soon as they are received and processed by our office. When voluminous multimedia is part of the discovery, it will be necessary to pick it up from our offices. It may be necessary for you to provide an external hard drive for our office to place the multimedia discovery on to.

Our overall goal is to streamline the discovery process for all involved and provide the best service possible.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office at any time.

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Body Worn Camera Discovery

Law Enforcement Agencies within the 4th Judicial District have chosen various software systems to maintain and store body worn camera evidence, as well as other evidence such as video taped interviews and photos.

Colorado Springs Police Department, in addition to the El Paso County Sheriff's Office have chosen to use a vendor known as AVail. In order to receive the body worn camera (BWC) discovery from these agencies, you must have an Avail account. In order to obtain an account, you must complete a training course that is approximately one hour. The training is provided by both the Colorado Springs Police Department in conjunction with the El Paso County Sheriff's Department. Please use the link below to sign up for a time that will work for you.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4eaaab28a3fd0-cspd2>

It is to your advantage to attend the training as you will be given additional instruction about how to utilize the geomapping within the system as well as other technical aspects that you will not have available to you unless you attend.

The BWC evidence is shared to you via the AVail Web system, which is outside of the state's eDiscovery system through the Colorado District Attorney Council. You cannot receive BWC discovery until you have attended the training as it requires an account. Attending the training ensures you have an account for AVail Web to receive the BWC evidence through discovery.

With the other local law enforcement agencies within the jurisdiction, several have opted for a separate system for storing their body worn camera evidence. The following agencies use the system AXON a/k/a Evidence.com.

Fountain Police Department

Manitou Springs Police Department

Monument Police Department

Pikes Peak Community College Law Enforcement

University of Colorado – Colorado Springs Law Enforcement Agencies

This system does not require you to attend a training nor is a username and password necessary to access the evidence. Evidence from this system will be shared to you for discovery through the AXON website. You will receive an email notification that the evidence was shared with you. Within the email, there is a link for you to view and download the evidence for your files and records.

Our office shares evidence from any of these systems with the attorney of record only.

If you have questions concerning the AVail system with the Colorado Springs Police Department or the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, you will need to contact those agencies directly.

Additional questions may be directed to the Deputy District Attorney within the division, or the Discovery Department Staff.