

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**DISTRICT COURT**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2021-11 - CRIMINAL  
Effective November 4, 2021**

**ARRAIGNMENTS UNDER ARTICLE I, SEC. 9 – RIGHT TO BAIL**

In collaboration with the Office of the Attorney General and the Rhode Island Police Chiefs' Association, the Rhode Island District Court hereby issues the following Administrative Order:

Whenever a defendant shall appear before the Court for Initial Appearance in a case in which the State may oppose the setting of bail, i.e. all Capital Offenses, offenses involving the use or threat of a dangerous weapon by one already convicted of such offense, or already convicted of a crime punishable for life, or for offenses involving the unlawful sale or distribution of a controlled substance, punishable by imprisonment for ten (10) years or more, the State shall be represented by the Office of the Attorney General. The assigned Prosecutor from the Office of the Attorney General will appear at the Initial Appearance and advise the Court as to the State's recommendation for bail or the request that the defendant be Held Without Bail (HWOB).

Entered as an Order of this Court on this 4th day of November 2021.

Enter:

By Order:

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Jeanne E. LaFazia  
Chief Judge

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Stephen Waluk  
Administrator