

BOISE, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2026 AT 11:15 A.M.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

STATE OF IDAHO,

Plaintiff-Respondent,

V.

LORI NORENE VALLOW aka

LORI NORENE DAYBELL,

Defendant-Appellant.

Docket No. 51091

Appeal from the District Court of the Seventh Judicial District, State of Idaho,
Fremont County. Steven W. Boyce, District Judge.

Ferguson Durham, PLLC, Boise, for Appellant, Lori Norene Vallow.

Raúl R. Labrador, Idaho Attorney General, Boise, for Respondent.

Lori Norene Vallow appeals from her judgment of conviction after a jury found her guilty for two counts of conspiracy to commit first-degree murder and grand theft, two counts of first-degree murder, one count of conspiracy to commit murder, and one count of grand theft. On appeal, she argues that the district court (1) violated her Sixth Amendment right to counsel of choice when it granted the State's motion to disqualify her retained attorney based on an alleged conflict of interest; (2) violated her Sixth Amendment right to counsel during pretrial hearings on the State's motion to disqualify her counsel after denying her attorney's request to participate in those hearings; (3) violated her due process rights when it held pretrial hearings that affected her substantial rights in her absence and while she was incompetent; (4) erred in allowing the State to introduce evidence of uncharged bad acts from Arizona into the Idaho criminal trial under Idaho Rule of Evidence 404(b); and (5) erred by denying her motion to dismiss for alleged violations of her statutory and constitutional rights to a speedy trial.