

# Courtroom Rules

1. The court proceedings are on the record and we have a Court Reporter present. All conversations will become a part of the record. The public is also able to view these proceedings.
2. Remember that this is a formal proceeding. Please treat it as if you were present in the courtroom.
3. There are multiple participants in this proceeding. If you are not speaking, please mute yourself so we do not pick up background noise or unwanted audio feedback. Please locate the mute button on your screen prior to the hearing. You will be advised if the Court mutes you.
4. When you want to speak, unmute yourself and identify yourself by stating your last name. Identify yourself each time we change who is speaking. Otherwise, the Court Reporter may have a difficult time determining who is speaking.
5. If you have an objection, state the objection. Wait until questions are completed before announcing an objection.
6. If an attorney makes an objection, all persons must stop talking until the objection has been ruled on.
7. When you speak, please make sure that you speak slowly and clearly. Please do not speak over one another or interrupt one another.
8. Verbal responses are essential in order for the Court Reporter to take down what the speaker said.
9. The Court Reporter may interrupt from time to time to clarify who is speaking.
10. If, at any time, you cannot hear a speaker for any reason, please raise your hand so you can be recognized.

11. Video or audio recordings of this proceeding by any party through any device or format are strictly prohibited. This includes screen shots, screen video or audio recordings or recordings on other devices. Failure to comply may result in the imposition of sanctions or in a finding of contempt.
12. Lastly, a good wi-fi or cellular connection is essential. Please locate yourself near your router or at a location where you know your service is high speed and reliable. Poor internet or cellular service can make these proceedings unmanageable. Please practice before attending the hearing.
13. You are expected to appear at the scheduled court time in the proper attire. DO NOT WEAR ANYTHING TO THE ZOOM CALL THAT YOU WOULD NOT WEAR IN A COURTROOM.
14. Children and animals may not participate in the hearing.

Authority: S Ct. Rules 45 & 241