

## **COURT ROOM CONDUCT:**

- Weapons are prohibited in the courtroom and this building except for law enforcement personnel. (you are subject to search)
- Arrive early
- Proper attire required in the Courtroom (no shorts, tank tops, torn clothing, or hats allowed)
- Do not bring drink or food or chew gum in the Courtroom. The use of tobacco is prohibited.
- It is normally inappropriate to bring small infants or young children into a court proceeding. Please refrain from doing so unless the presence of the child is necessary for the proceeding.
- Cellular phones are inappropriate in the Courtroom, please turn them off before entering.
- No recording devices are allowed without judicial approval.
- All electronics of the Court shall NOT be handled by anyone without prior Court approval.
- All property, to include seating, in the Courtroom and reception area shall be treated with respect and shall not be moved or rearranged.
- Rise when the Judge enters and remain standing until the Judge is seated. Rise when the Judge exits the courtroom.
- Address the Court as “Judge” or “Your Honor”.
- Do not argue with the Court or Court Personnel.
- Do not approach the Judge’s bench without permission. Do not rest arms on the bench
- Do not talk at the same time as the Court, opposing counsel, or witnesses. Courtroom visitors should not engage in excessive loud talk or conversation.
- Racist, sexist, obscene or profane language is prohibited unless it is pertinent to a case, and is elicited and quoted from facts in the case.
- Do nothing to disturb or distract the Court, counsels, witnesses, or other Court personnel. Once Court is in session you are expected to remain seated.