

ZOOM and TELEPHONIC APPEARANCES

Parties are allowed to appear by ZOOM if they are unable to appear in person. To attend your hearing via video conferencing, you must have a computer with the internet access and a webcam or a smartphone with video camera capability WHICH YOU CAN CONNECT TO THE ZOOM APP (Meeting ID: 923 2459 7070) OR WEBSITE (<https://zoom.us/j/92324597070>). Parties choosing to connect via ZOOM bear all responsibility for failure of the connection, malfunctioning equipment, and slow internet connection.

You are allowed to appear by ZOOM instead of in Person if you respond in the affirmative to any of the questions below:

Question 1: Do you have any of the following symptoms (excluding those due to a known medical reason):

- Cough; Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing; Chills; Muscle pain; Sore throat; New loss of taste or smell; fever

Question 2: Am I unable to make it to the Courtroom(excluding mere inconvenience reasons)?

- Reside more than 10 miles away from the Courthouse and unable to drive/get a ride to the Courthouse; Bed bound in a hospital or at home; Sole caregiver for a minor; Unavoidable work commitment (Orientation. Job Interview)

Appearance Through Audio Only

Requests to appear through audio only communication equipment are governed by Rule 2.530 of the Florida General Practice & Judicial Administration Rules. All requests must be in writing and notice must be given to the opposing party. Testimony may be taken through audio only communication equipment only if, all parties consent, a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths in the witness's jurisdiction is present with the witness and administers the oath consistent with the laws of the jurisdiction. The cost for use of the communication equipment is the responsibility of the requesting party.

Introduction of Evidence

If a party intends to request the introduction of any documentary evidence during a hearing that has been scheduled to occur via Zoom, the items of evidence shall be scanned as a PDF and e-mailed to the Judicial Assistant 5 business days in advance of the hearing at childsupportorders@circuit5.org . The parties and counsel of record are encouraged to confer and stipulate to the admissibility of evidence, if possible, and to determine whether documents already filed within the record may be judicially noticed. Any communication to/with the Judicial Assistant shall include all parties or counsel.

Phone Pictures or Text Messages

Parties will not be allowed to introduce evidence contained on a phone without having the phone introduced as evidence. If you want the Court to consider evidence contained in a phone, you will print the screens you want to introduce as a PDF and e-mail it to the Judicial Assistant 5 business days in advance of the hearing at childsupportorders@circuit5.org . The parties and counsel of record are encouraged to confer and stipulate to the admissibility of evidence, if possible, and to determine whether documents already filed within the record may be judicially noticed. Any communication to/with the Judicial Assistant shall include all parties or counsel.