Common Pleas Connection

General Division

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UPDATED COURTROOM TECH

The evidence presentation and video conferencing technology has been updated in Courtrooms 2 and 3 and Hearing Rooms 5 and 6. We hope that you will find the new technology easy to utilize.

Courtrooms 2 and 3:

A guide that details the evidence cart functionality for Courtrooms 2 and 3 can be found here:

Evidence Presentation Guide for Courtrooms 2 and 3

Evidence can be presented in Courtrooms 2 and 3 by utilizing a laptop computer or other electronic device, the built-in-computer, or the document camera.

A standard HDMI connector is available to connect your electronic device. Any additional adapters to connect devices such as an iPad or mobile phone to the HDMI input must be brought by the party.

Hearing Rooms 5 and 6:

For evidence presentation in Hearing Rooms 5 and 6, you must either bring an electronic device to present your evidence through the HDMI connector or bring physical copies of your evidence. Any evidence presented through your electronic device will be visible on the mounted TV screen, the witness stand monitor, and the bench monitor.

Please feel free to reach out to our court administrator at <u>kschultz@co.delaware.oh.us</u> to schedule a demonstration of the new technology, ask questions, or to report any issues.

Additionally, we would encourage you to reach out to court staff to test your audio and visual evidence presentation prior to trial.

Plea Hearing Reminder

COVID changed the way we conducted hearings, but now with things returning to normal we would like to remind defense counsel to come to plea hearings with plea paperwork already printed, read, and discussed with the client prior to the start time of the hearing.

July 16th-22nd is Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week. Please join us in recognizing and thanking the Adult Court Services Probation Officers for the important and challenging work they do each day!

Trial Procedures-Judge Gormley

You can now find a guide to the trial procedures in the courtroom of Judge David M. Gormley on our website. This guide is linked below:

Judge Gormley's Trial Procedures

Courthouse Security Update



The court transitioned from our prior security vendor to Allied Universal in May of 2023. We ask for your continued cooperation in the security screening process as Allied performs its duties to ensure everyone's safety in the building.

Please note that the security staff have been given orders (Judgment Entry Addressing Courthouse Security) to search through bags and belongings if they see something that could be a firearm, explosive, pepper spray, knife, or other dangerous weapon or ordnance.

Please allow sufficient time to go through screening before your scheduled hearing and keep in mind the following:

- * Wait for instructions from security staff.
- * Place all items into the bins for screening.
- * When you are being wanded, please stand still until you are told to turn by security staff.