

REMOTE HEARING PROTOCOL CIVIL NON JURY Judge Sumner

Judge Sumner will conduct civil non jury hearings with remote technology in the following manner:

1. The use of a remote hearing must be by consent.
2. Attorneys and parties are responsible for their own technology. The zoom platform will be used.
3. Cheryl Marshall, Judicial Assistant to Judge Sumner, should be contacted via email with a consent request to proceed with a remote hearing. The request shall include a time announcement that will be strictly adhered to. Time announcement encompasses opening remarks, all questioning, closing remarks, and any motions.
4. The consent request shall also include an announcement regarding court reporter take down and the associated costs.
5. All documents and photos to be submitted as evidence must be scanned and emailed 24 hours before the hearing date to opposing counsel, the court reporter, and the Judge Sumner's Judicial Assistant.
6. Counsel will be contacted with potential hearings dates and times.