

Judicial Preferences Survey



Survey Completion Date

Contacting Chambers

Name:

Email:

Judicial District:

Judicial Position:

County/Countries:

Set forth your preferred method to contact chambers (telephone, email, etc.):

To whom may attorneys direct scheduling/logistical questions?

To whom may attorneys direct substantive questions?

Motion Practice

Set forth your practices and procedures for scheduling motion hearings.

Identify any type of motion for which you do not require a hearing.

Do you accept telephone calls from attorneys to rule on discovery disputes that occur during depositions?

How much time do you allot for motion hearings?

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to attending a hearing by telephone or video conference.

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to discovery motions.

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to stipulations of the parties, including stipulations for protective orders.

Do you have particular requirements or procedures relating to requests to amend the scheduling order?

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to default proceedings.

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to handling emergency motions.

If your preferences for motion hearings by remote means differ from any of your earlier answers, please describe your preferences for remote video conference hearings.

Do you want to receive paper courtesy copies of the parties' written submissions? If you do, set forth the number and preferred format of courtesy copies and identify any document type you do not want to receive.

Set forth your preferences for handling informal requests for relief using the expedited, informal non-dispositive motion process set forth in Minn. Gen. R. Prac. 115.04(d).

Pre-Trial Procedures

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to the submissions of additional legal authority or other materials at or after oral argument.

Describe your preferred procedures for pretrial settlement conferences, including the timing of such conferences, persons who must attend, whether persons may attend by telephone or video conference, and how you participate in settlement discussions.

Identify what technology you use in the courtroom and state whether you prefer a particular electronic format.

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to attorney's use of technology in the courtroom and during trial.

Do you permit parties to bifurcate oral argument so different attorneys address different legal issues?

In-Person Trials

Are you willing to provide a date certain for trial?

Set forth your practices and procedures for handling motions in limine.

What is your schedule for a typical trial day?

Set forth your voir dire procedures.

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to courtroom decorum, including movement in the courtroom, use of a podium, whether attorneys should sit or stand, and how to address witnesses.

Do you impose time limits with respect to opening statements and closing arguments?

Identify what technology you use in the courtroom and state whether you prefer a particular electronic format.

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to marking and using exhibits.

For exhibits uploaded to the Minnesota Digital Exhibit System (MNDES), set forth your preferences regarding naming conventions for files uploaded to the system.

Set forth your practices and procedures for handling objections.

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to the use of deposition testimony.

May attorneys obtain daily transcripts during trial? If so, what procedure should attorneys follow?

Set forth your practices and procedures with respect to attorney requests to contact jurors at the conclusion of trial.

Set forth any other preferences, practices, or procedures attorneys and parties may find helpful.

If your practice differs for trials by remote means, please describe the differences.