

THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HOWARD COUNTY – PHASE III REMOTE/IN-PERSON HEARINGS  
EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 29, 2021 – MARCH 6, 2022

REMOTE HEARINGS	IN-PERSON HEARINGS	IN-PERSON HEARINGS
Motion must be filed to appear in person.	Motion must be filed to appear remotely.	Contact CCMO or family law to convert to a remote proceeding.
<p><b><u>Civil Cases</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative agency and record appeals</li> <li>• Civil motions/hearings scheduled for 2 hours or less</li> <li>• De novo appeals</li> <li>• Settlement/status conferences</li> <li>• Three judge panels</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Civil Cases</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil bench trials</li> <li>• Peace orders</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Criminal/Juvenile Cases</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All juvenile proceedings</li> <li>• Bail reviews from HCDC</li> <li>• Criminal Motions</li> <li>• Criminal Status Conferences</li> <li>• Post convictions</li> <li>• Three judge panels</li> <li>• VOPs</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Criminal/Juvenile Cases</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criminal bench trials (with deferred sentences)</li> <li>• Criminal competency hearings</li> <li>• Criminal settlement conferences (beginning 1/10/2022)</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Family Law Cases</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All CINA proceedings</li> <li>• Default proceedings</li> <li>• DSS paternity and establishment proceedings</li> <li>• Contempt proceedings</li> <li>• Guardianship proceedings</li> <li>• Exceptions</li> <li>• Magistrate custody, emergency, and visitation hearings</li> <li>• Magistrate modification hearings</li> <li>• Pre-trial conferences</li> <li>• Pendente Lite hearings</li> <li>• Special Immigrant Juvenile Status hearings</li> <li>• Settlement Conferences</li> <li>• Three judge panels</li> <li>• Uncontested divorces and other uncontested matters</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Family Law Cases</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoptions</li> <li>• Domestic violence hearings</li> <li>• DSS contempt child support proceedings</li> <li>• Family law trials set before a Judge</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Family Law Cases</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral exams</li> <li>• Scheduling/Status conferences set by family law (contact family law, not CCMO to convert to a remote proceeding).</li> </ul>