

**Division M4 Criminal (CR) First Appearances at 1:30 p.m.
And Domestic Violence (DV) First Appearances at 2:30 p.m**

Beginning on Monday, April 4, 2022, Division M4 afternoon Criminal (CR) First Appearances at 1:30 p.m. and Domestic Violence (DV) First Appearances at 2:30 p.m. will be held **In-Person in the Division M4 Courtroom**. All Chapter 61 Limited Action hearings held in the mornings will continue by Zoom video conference until otherwise notified.

Division M4 policy for the CR and DV afternoon dockets will be:

- 1) NO CHILDREN ALLOWED IN THE COURTROOM.
- 2) The wearing of masks is encouraged but not required. A box of masks will be available by the Courtroom door.
- 3) All Out-of-custody defendants and all attorneys will appear In-Person in the Courtroom. Zoom email invites will no longer be sent.
- 4) Everyone will be expected to follow the social distancing protocol of six-foot distance. The Courtroom should accommodate 30 to 40 in the public seating and 12 to 15 attorneys in the Well area. Only the parties to the case and attorneys should enter the Courtroom. If space is available, then family and friends may enter, along with the general public.
- 5) Family, friends and the general public may view the Court proceedings on a computer or mobile phone at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9137153348>, or calling 346-248-7799 or 312-626-6799 and entering Division M4 Meeting ID: 9137153348
- 6) Defendants in the jail will continue to appear by Zoom video so that anyone in the public, family members, friends, etc. can attend by logging into Zoom.
- 7) The signing of Waivers at the jail will continue to appear by Zoom.
- 8) On the podium will be the Complaints in the order cases will be called so any attorney appointed or hired (or a pro se defendant) will approach the podium and pick up their Complaint when the Court calls their case. A list of the order the cases will be called will be located on the podium and each counsel table.
- 9) The alleged victims in a case may appear In-court or by Zoom. Victim's Assistance Unit in the DA's Office can give them the Zoom information above. Unless space in the Courtroom is available, one victim assistance person can be present in the sitting area with no more than 2 alleged victims at a time. Other alleged victims

should wait in the hallway until the victim's assistance brings them in, no more than two at a time. Family members and friends of alleged victims should wait in the hallway and can view the proceedings through Zoom.