

IN THE JUVENILE COURT FOR RUTHERFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE
AT MURFRESBORO

PROPER PROCEDURE TO REQUEST A VIDEO HEARING
DURING COVID-19

1. Any request must be made in the form of a ***Joint Motion for In Camera Request for Video Hearing*** signed by all counsel of record.
2. All Joint Motions shall contain a certification by all counsel:
 - that all parties and counsel agree to a hearing being conducted by video means;
 - that all parties, counsel and witnesses have the technical ability to participate in the requested video hearing;
 - that all parties, counsel and witnesses have the ability to participate in conformance with all CDC guidelines related to the Covid-19 Pandemic;
 - that any and all exhibits to be introduced have been stipulated to by all counsel and parties;
 - that if any witness/witnesses are to be sequestered, when in such is “called” to testify, he/she will be available immediately without delay;
 - of an estimated amount of time required for the hearing; and
 - of which video conferencing platform will be used.
3. All stipulated exhibits shall be duly marked, indexed and filed with the Clerk of the Court at least thirty-six (36) hours before the scheduled start of the video hearing with a written stipulation signed by all counsel of record. Furthermore, the parties shall submit a stipulated witness list within the same time frame
4. Upon the Court’s review of any ***Joint Motion for In Camera Request for Video Hearing*** an order will be entered either approving or denying the request.
5. Any approval by the Court will set forth the scheduled date and time for the requested hearing.
6. The attorneys shall be responsible for initiating the video conference and calling into the Court.