

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

PANEL M07-2019

ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

Argument Date
August 12, 2019

ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, this 5th day of June, 2019, the following Order is entered.

In order to maintain the dignity and decorum of the judicial proceedings, this order shall apply to guests and representatives of the media observing the M07 panel of the Superior Court sitting in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on August 12, 2019.

1. Electronic Devices:

- a. Guests and media may not utilize laptop computers in the courtroom. Anyone improperly utilizing such a device will be removed and refused reentry. EXCEPTION: Attorneys appearing before this Court are permitted to use laptops as necessary for argument.
- b. Guests and media may possess cell phones, smart phones, tablets, and other communicative electronic devices. All devices are to be silent and non-disruptive.
- c. **No device may be used in the courtroom to take photographs or to record, broadcast, or transmit the argument proceedings or any account of the proceedings.**

This includes, but is not limited to, live blogging and tweeting, publishing stories in online periodicals, or posting photographs and quotations. Improper or disruptive use of technology will result in immediate removal from the courtroom. Reentry will be refused.

2. Conduct: To minimize disruption, observers are asked to remain in their seats until the argument at bar is concluded. They are then free to leave the courtroom as the next case is called.
3. Media Interviews: No media interviews shall be conducted in the courtroom or in the antechamber to the courtroom.
4. Sanctioning Improper Conduct: Guests and representatives of the media causing disruption to the proceedings will be removed from the courtroom. Further misconduct or intentional disruption by a guest or representative of the media may subject that person to the penalties of contempt under applicable statute, order, or rule.

PER CURIAM