

VERMONT SUPERIOR COURT

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FAMILY DIVISION

AMENDED NOTICE AND ORDER REGARDING MAGISTRATE HEARINGS IN WINDSOR COUNTY

Effective JANUARY 1, 2023, all Magistrate hearings in the Windsor Unit will be held remotely using the WebEx platform with the following exception: all attorneys, litigants, and witnesses must appear in person for hearings of **more than** 3 hours (half a day) in length . Any parties or attorneys who wish to appear by WebEx at these hearings must file a written request articulating the basis for the request (see V.R.C.P. Rule 43.1).

Attorneys, parties, and witnesses who appear by WebEx will be expected to participate with **both video and audio on**, unless permission to appear without video is granted by the Court.

If a hearing is designated as "remote," any party who wishes to appear in person must file a motion at least 7 business days prior to the hearing date and send copies of the motion to the other parties. The reason for advance notice is to ensure that a court officer is available for the hearing and to give the other parties an opportunity to appear in person if they wish to do so.

For remote hearings, the parties shall continue to pre-file and exchange exhibits at least 7 days prior to the hearing, as stated on the Webex hearing information sheet.

For in person hearings, exhibits may be offered during the hearing. The parties may pre-file exhibits if they so choose, but pre-filing will not be required. However, proposed exhibits must still be EXCHANGED seven days prior to the hearing even if they are not pre-filed.

Electronically signed on January 12, 2023 pursuant to V.R.E.F. 9(d)


Christine Hoyt
Magistrate