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## Standing Order for Civil Cases- Orange Unit Effective: 01/22/2024

Rule 43.1 provides that a court may require remote participation, and/or that a judge may preside from a remote location, in an order served on all parties. V.R.C.P. 43.1(c)(3) and (4). Until further notice, any Notice of Hearing in a case in this division that specifies that a hearing is remote shall constitute the required notice. Should a party wish to appear in-person for a hearing scheduled to be remote, they may do so provided there is no contrary indication in the hearing notice.

For Stalking cases: Attorneys, clients, and witnesses may appear either in person or remotely. If a client appears in person, however, the attorney shall also appear in person, absent approval by the court in advance of the hearing. If appearing remotely via WebEx, both video and audio shall be on.

Please remember that WebEx is a virtual courtroom. Accordingly, proper attire, decorum, and conduct is expected from all participants. No food, beverages (other than water), or gum allowed. You background can be adjusted on WebEx. No witnesses shall be presented on WebEx with any party until after the witness has testified.

Exhibits which you intend to use in your case in chief shall be filed through Odyssey File and Serve with the court (and copies provided to the other side) at least 7 days prior to the hearing date <u>for both inperson and remote hearings</u>. Failure to do so could result in the court excluding them from consideration. The court understands there will be times when an exhibit may be offered at the time of the hearing without being pre-filed. However, this should be the exception, not the rule.

Electronically signed this January 26, 2024 at 1:46 PM pursuant to V.R.E.F. 9(d).

Elizabeth D. Mann

**Vermont Superior Court Judge** 

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