

IN THE PAGE MAGISTRATE COURT
IN THE COUNTY OF COCONINO, IN AND FOR THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)	
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ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)	Administrative Order
OF PRESUMPTIVE STANDARDS FOR)	No. 2023-3 (Replacing AO 2022-2)
REMOTE AND IN-PERSON HEARINGS)	
FOR THE PAGE MAGISTRATE COURT)	
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In June 2021, the Arizona Supreme Court’s COVID-19 Continuity of Court Operations During a Public Health Emergency Workgroup (Plan B Workgroup) recommended best practices that should be retained or adapted post-pandemic, which included a recommendation that courts continue to use and expand technology to conduct remote court proceedings. In January 2022 the workgroup reconvened and issued a report, Recommended Remote and In-Person Hearings in Arizona State Courts in the Post-Pandemic World (“Report”) which includes as Appendix 1 recommendations regarding which hearing types should be held remotely and which should be held in person (“Presumptive Standards”)

On August 3, 2022, the Supreme Court issued Administrative Order No. 2022-88 adopting the Presumptive Standards as set forth in Appendix 1 of the Report and requires the presiding judge of each municipal court to issue an administrative order adopting standards regarding which hearing types will be held remotely and which hearing types will be held in person. Administrative Order No. 2022-88 allows the presiding judge of the municipal court, after consultation and approval from the presiding judge of the superior court in the county, to adapt the Presumptive Standards as necessary due to limitations in local court resources, bandwidth, technology hardware, software, and staffing or, for good cause, to meet unique needs in their respective cities.

Upon consultation with and approval from the presiding judge of the superior court in Coconino County, pursuant to Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2022-88,

IT IS ORDERED adopting the Chart attached hereto as the presumptive manner for holding hearings set on or after August 1, 2023, in the Page Magistrate Court Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED adapting the Presumptive Standards adopted by the Supreme Court for the following hearing types and reasons:

- Order to Show Cause Hearings shall be presumed to be held remotely because they are brief hearings where extensive testimony is generally not required.
- Restitution Hearings shall be presumed to be held remotely because they are brief hearings where extensive testimony is generally not required.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a party may appear in-person or remotely for hearings presumed to be remote in the Page Magistrate Court. However, a judge assigned to a case may make a hearing-specific deviation from the presumptive manner in which a hearing is to be held if holding the hearing in the presumptive manner is not practical or otherwise not in the interest of justice. The court must provide notice to the parties when such an alternative is utilized

Dated this 31 day of July, 2023



Andrew K. Hettinger
Presiding Judge, City of Page, Coconino County

Appendix 1
Recommended Remote and In-Person Hearings in the Post-Pandemic World by
Case Type and Hearing Types

Case Type	Hearing Type	Remote	In-Person
Limited Jurisdiction Proceedings Involving Criminal Misdemeanor Charges; under the Rules of Court Procedure for Civil Traffic, Boating, Marijuana and Parking and Standing Violations (CTBMPSV) and Juvenile Hearing Officer Proceedings			
<i>Criminal Misdemeanor</i>			
	Appearance/Arrestment/Initial	X	
	Pre-trial Motion – Non-witness	X	
	Pre-trial/Motion – Witness		X
	Change of Plea/Sentencing	X	
	Pre-trial Conference	X	
	Order to Show Cause	X	
	Case Management Conference/Trial Preparedness Conference	X	
	Settlement Conference	X	
	Jury Trial		X
	Bench Trial		X
	Probation Violation Arrestment	X	
	Probation Violation Hearing		X
	Probation Violation Disposition		X
	Other – Non-witness	X	
	Other – Witness		X
	Restitution	X	
	Bond Forfeiture	X	
	Drug Court		X
<i>CTBMPSV</i>			
	Arrestment	X	
	Trial/Contested Hearing		X
	Photo Enforcement Hearing	X	
	Other (including ID Hearings, Local Ordinance, Parking)	X	
<i>Juvenile Hearing Officer Proceedings</i>		X	
Proceedings Under Arizona Rules of Protective Order Procedure			
	Ex Parte Hearing	X	
	Contested Protective Order [Evidentiary] Hearing		X
	Other	X	