



Superior Court of the District of Columbia Civil Division

HEARING PARTICIPATION

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US.

Civil Actions Branch

Moultrie Courthouse
500 Indiana Avenue NW
Room 5000
Washington, DC 20001

Phone: 202-879-1133

Live Chat:

www.dccourts.gov/services/civil-matters/requesting-over-10k

Landlord and Tenant Branch

Building B
510 4th Street, NW
Room 110
Washington, DC 20001

Phone: 202-879-4879

Live Chat:

www.dccourts.gov/services/civil-matters/landlord-tenant

Small Claims Branch

Building B
510 4th Street NW
Room 120
Washington, DC 20001

Phone: 202-879-1120

Live Chat:

www.dccourts.gov/services/civil-matters/requesting-10k-or-less



HEARINGS HELD REMOTELY

- Initial Hearings
- Scheduling Conferences
- Status Hearings
- Motion Hearings
- Ex Parte Proof Hearings
- Oral Examinations
- Mediations

HEARINGS HELD IN-PERSON

- Jury Trials
- Bench Trials
- Pretrial Conferences
- Evidentiary Hearings with Live Witness Testimony
- Hearings about whether a party was served

The judge may choose to change the hearing participation method. Read your court notice carefully to see whether your hearing is in-person, remote, or virtual offsite.

HOW DO I CHANGE MY METHOD OF APPEARANCE?

- To request to appear remotely for an in-person hearing, file a motion with the Clerk's Office as soon as possible. Serve the other party by following the motions rules.
- Once received, the motion will be sent to the case judge for review. Until the Judge rules on your motion, you must appear as required by the court notice.
- To request to appear in-person for a remote hearing, file a written notice with the court seven calendar days before the hearing and serve the notice to the other party.
- The motion and notice forms can be found here:
www.dccourts.gov/hearing-information

If you appear in-person for a remote hearing, you can participate at the courthouse.