



Superior Court of the District of Columbia Family Court

HEARING PARTICIPATION

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US.

Family Court Central Intake Center (CIC)

Moultrie Courthouse
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Room JM-540
Washington, DC 20001

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202-879-1212



HEARINGS HELD REMOTELY

- Neglect Cases: Initial Hearings
- Uncontested Matters
- Divorce and Custody Cases: Settlement Conferences and Pretrial Hearings
- Delinquency Cases: Status Hearings
- Mental Health: Status Hearings and Pretrial Hearings
- All Mental Habilitation Hearings
- Parentage and Support Cases: Financial Reviews and Status Hearings

HEARINGS HELD IN-PERSON

- Divorce, Parentage and Support, Abuse and Neglect, and Custody Matters: Evidentiary Hearings and Trials
- Domestic Relations Cases: Initial Hearings and Contested Matters
- Contested Adoptions, Birth Certificate Amendments, and Name Changes
- Delinquency Cases: New Referrals, Initial Hearings, Trials, and Disposition Hearings
- Mental Health Cases: Trials, Evidentiary Hearings and Revocations

The judge may choose to change the hearing participation method. Read your court notice carefully to see whether your hearing is in-person or remote and whether the judge will conduct the hearing virtually onsite.

HOW DO I CHANGE MY METHOD OF APPEARANCE?

- To request to appear remotely for an in-person hearing, file a motion with the Family Court Central Intake Center as soon as possible. Serve the other party by following the motions rules.
- 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.