



JUDGE WAYNE L. MACK

Courtroom Rules

Dignity, respect, and decorum are essential to a proper courtroom atmosphere. The following requirements pertain to all parties entering the courtroom.

- When your name is called on the docket, you will be asked to approach the bench, please address the Judge as “Your Honor” or Judge Mack;
- On civil or eviction cases, you will only address questions to the Judge and not talk to each other unless questioning is in accordance with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure."
- Electronic Recording devices in the courtroom is not permitted;
- Food or Drink in the courtroom is not permitted;
- Cell phones must be turned off or set on silent, and all calls must be taken outside the courtroom;
- Private conversations in the courtroom must be kept to a minimum and not interfere with any proceeding;
- Please remove all hats or other headgear when entering the courtroom;
- Please remove any unruly children from the courtroom;
- Inappropriate gestures or remarks will not be tolerated;
- Proper dress code must be adhered to, for example:
 - ❖ No exposed midriffs or suggestive clothing;
 - ❖ No tank tops or halter style garments;
 - ❖ No excessively low rise jeans, pants, skirts, or shorts;
 - ❖ No exposed undergarments;
 - ❖ No garments with offensive slogans or advertising alcohol or drugs;

IT IS THE TRADITION OF THE U.S. SUPREME COURT, TEXAS SUPREME COURT AND THIS JUSTICE COURT TO HAVE A BRIEF OPENING CEREMONY THAT INCLUDES A BRIEF INVOCATION BY ONE OF OUR VOLUNTEER CHAPLAINS AND PLEDGES TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG AND TEXAS STATE FLAG.

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE PRESENT IN THE COURTROOM DURING THE OPENING CEREMONY OR PARTICIPATE. THE BAILIFF WILL NOTIFY THE LOBBY WHEN COURT IS CALLED INTO SESSION.