

LRCiv 43.1

CONDUCT IN COURTROOM AND ENVIRONS

(a) Audio/video Recording.

(1) Prohibited Activities. All forms, means, and manner of capturing, recording, broadcasting, transmitting, and/or storing of anything by use of electronic, photographic, audio and/or visual means or devices are prohibited in all courtrooms and environs thereto during the course of, or in connection with, any judicial proceedings whether the Court is actually in session or not.

(2) Exceptions. A District, Magistrate, or Bankruptcy Judge may permit:

(A) the use of electronic or photographic devices for the presentation of evidence or the perpetuation of the record;

(B) the broadcasting, televising, recording or photographing of investitive, ceremonial, or naturalization proceedings; and

(C) the use of necessary assistive technology for accessibility of any participants or as otherwise ordered or arranged by the Court~~subject to the prohibitions contained in paragraph (a)(1) above, the use of an unobtrusive hand held dictating device by counsel or unrepresented parties for use in dictating notes or reminders during trial. It is not to be used to record any part of the proceedings.~~

(b) Computers, Cellular Phones, and Other Equipment. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, ~~litigants counsel and unrepresented parties and their legal assistants~~ may use ~~laptop~~ computers, ~~cellular telephones~~personal digital assistants (PDAs), and ~~paggers~~other electronic devices in the courtroom for litigation-related purposes provided they emit no sound; and are not disruptive to the proceedings. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, Internet access is permitted. Cellular phones ~~are prohibited from use in the courtroom. However, unless otherwise ordered by the Court, cellular phones~~ may be utilized for phone calls and other purposes in the hallways, lobbies, and other areas of the environs unless otherwise ordered by the Court. Any device which has the potential to emit sound or be disruptive to Court proceedings must be turned off or set on silent mode in the

courtroom. The use of this equipment is permissible within a judge's chambers at the discretion of the judge. The use of any device described in this section or any other device for the purposes described in this Local Rule subsection (a)(1) is strictly prohibited.

(c) Environs Defined. Environs as used in this Local Rule means the Sandra Day O'Connor United States Courthouse in Phoenix including the entire building, parking lot and curtilage up to the edge of, but not including, the sidewalk; the Evo A. DeeConcini United States Courthouse in Tucson including the entire building, parking lot and curtilage up to the edge of, but not including, the publicly dedicated sidewalk; ~~the second floor, basement and that portion of the third floor occupied by the U.S. District Court in the United States Courthouse in Prescott;~~ the entire first floor and that portion of the second floor occupied by the U.S. District Court and U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services in the ~~AWD Professional Building, court facility in~~ Flagstaff; the entire John M. Roll United States Courthouse in Yuma; the interior of the United States Courthouse at 230 N. First Avenue, Phoenix Arizona; and the interior of the James A. Walsh Courthouse, Tucson, Arizona. In addition to the foregoing, environs as used in this Local Rule also means any other building, parking lot, and curtilage up to the edge, but not including the publicly dedicated sidewalk, of any structure ~~which is owned by the federal government and~~ in which a United States District Court proceeding is held.

(d) Interiors of Offices. This Local Rule does not apply to the interiors of the following offices: U. S. Probation ~~and, U. S.~~ Pretrial Services, Clerk's Office, U. S. Attorney's Office, the attorney lounges, and all private tenants.
