

**APPENDIX 31.0: COURT-SPECIFIC RULES CONCERNING THE USE OF
ELECTRONIC AND RECORDING DEVICES**

COURT	PARISHES	COURT-SPECIFIC RULES CONCERNING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC AND RECORDING DEVICES
14 th J.D.C.	Calcasieu Parish	Sketching, photographing and/or recording by any means are prohibited in the courthouse. No cameras of any kind shall be permitted in the courtroom or other location of court proceedings without the permission of the Judge.
22 nd J.D.C.	St. Tammany and Washington Parishes	<p>The use of cell phone, electronic, digital or wireless devices of any kind is strictly prohibited in the courtroom and in chambers at all times unless prior approval by the Court is granted.</p> <p>The use of cell phone, electronic, digital or wireless devices of any kind is strictly prohibited during Hearing Officer Conferences at all times unless prior approval by the Hearing Officer is granted.</p> <p>The term ‘use’ includes, but is not limited to, the sending or receiving of mobile phone calls, text messages and email. It also includes sending, receiving, viewing or recording video or audio, camera use and web browsing. Such devices shall be turned “OFF” at all times whether or not the Court or a Hearing Officer Conference is in session.</p> <p>Penalties for violation of this Court Rule may include a finding of contempt of court, with all applicable penalties provided by state law, including but not limited to confiscation of the device(s) and/or monetary sanctions.</p>
23 rd J.D.C.	<p>Ascension, Assumption, and St. James Parishes</p> <p>Amended November 30, 2015, effective January 1, 2016.</p>	<p>Except for attorneys, no cell phones or other electronic and recording devices shall be allowed in the courthouse at any time, unless prior approval is granted by the court. In the event approval is granted by the court, use of the phone or other electronic or recording device shall be only for the purpose for which permission was granted. Penalties for violation of this rule may include a finding of contempt of court, with all applicable penalties provided by state law, including but not limited to confiscation of the device(s) and/or monetary sanctions.</p>