

Snohomish County Superior Court  
Emergency Local Court Rule Effective: September 6, 2022

SCLCR – Civil Rules

**RULE 40. ASSIGNMENT OF CASES; SETTING OF TRIALS-  
FILING OF PLEADINGS-TIME OF TRIALS-CONTINUANCES-  
SETTLEMENT**

**(d) Trials.**

(1) *Manner of Trial.* Civil Trials and voir dire are presumed to occur in person unless (a) all parties or counsel stipulate in writing that all or a portion of the trial will be conducted remotely, and such stipulation is approved by the Court or (b) the Court grants a motion requesting that one or more parties, witnesses, or counsel be permitted to appear remotely. Motions to approve a stipulation or grant a motion for remote appearance of counsel or party shall be noted on the Presiding Judge's Motion calendar at least 21 days before the trial date. Motions for the remote appearance of witnesses may be noted on the Presiding Judge's Motion calendar at least 21 days before the trial date. Parties shall comply with Trial Protocols developed by the Court and published on the Court's website.

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