



## WHEELER COUNTY COURT

Chalone S. Hefley  
County Judge

### DRESS CODE FOR COURTROOM PROCEEDINGS

#### A. Courtroom Participants (i.e., attorneys and their staff, parties, and party representatives)

Courtroom participants are expected to wear appropriate business attire in the courtroom. Courtroom participants are expected to dress neatly and to exercise common sense in selecting clothing and footwear appropriate for court. Courtroom participants are expected to be dressed in a manner that shows dignity and respect for the judicial process. Appropriate business attire generally includes the following:

1. A business suit;
2. A dress with hem below mid-thigh;
3. A skirt with a blouse or sweater or tailored slacks with a professional blouse; or
4. A sport coat with dress slacks, a collared dress shirt and a tie.

#### B. Courtroom Visitors

Dress appropriately for court. Compliance with the participant rules above is encouraged but is not required. Collared shirts, slacks, nice jeans (no holes or fraying in fabric), and other business casual attire is generally acceptable. The court reserves the right to exercise its judgment on the propriety of attire on a case-by-case basis and to make orders accordingly.

#### **UNACCEPTABLE ATTIRE THAT IS NOT ALLOWED INCLUDES:**

Shorts, baggy pants, oversized coats or jackets, flip flop style shoes, hats, caps, bandanas, hair rollers, head wraps, bonnets or head scarves, tube tops, tank tops, halter tops or dresses with any of these styles, low cut blouses or shirts, clothing that exposes the midriff, bodysuits or bodycon dresses, bathing suits, lingerie, pajamas, house shoes/slippers, skirts above mid-thigh, no tights worn as pants, no bare feet, sunglasses or shades, cropped shirts, muscle shirts, clothing indicating gang affiliation, clothing with pictures of: offensive, vulgar, racist, sexist, obscene, suggestive words, slogans, depictions or grotesque creatures or provocative clothing designed to provoke emotion, disrupt or distract.

**CLOTHING MUST COVER ALL UNDERGARMENTS FOR BOTH MEN AND WOMEN!!!**

**ALL CELL PHONES MUST BE TURNED OFF, PLACED ON DO NOT DISTURB OR SILENT MODE!!!**