



WHEELER COUNTY COURT

Chalone S. Hefley
County Judge

RULES OF CONDUCT FOR COURTROOM PROCEEDINGS

Conduct in the "Courtroom" also includes the reception/foyer area, jury room and/or any office space assigned to the County Court.

1. ALL WEAPONS are PROHIBITED in the Courtroom and this building, EXCEPT for LAW ENFORCEMENT and AUTHORIZED COUNTY PERSONNEL.
2. Be on time.
3. Adhere to the bailiff's instructions.
4. Do not approach the Judge's bench without permission.
5. Address the Court as "Judge" or "Your Honor." DO NOT argue with the Court.
6. Address opposing parties, counsel, witnesses and court officers as "Mr.," "Mrs.," "Miss", "Dr.," etc. Do not use first names, except with children 14 years of age and younger.
7. Racist, sexist, obscene, or profane language is prohibited unless it is pertinent to the case and is elicited and quoted from facts in the case.
8. Do not chew gum in the Courtroom or bring food or drink items into the Courtroom.
9. Do not enter or depart the Courtroom excessively and do not slam the doors.
10. Do nothing to disturb or distract the Court, counsels, witnesses or other Court personnel.
11. All property in the Courtroom and reception area must be treated with respect. Not writing on any posted papers/notices or on the furniture.
12. No recording devices are allowed without prior permission or judicial approval.
13. Respect Court personnel at all times.
14. **ALL CELL PHONES MUST BE TURNED OFF, PLACED ON DO NOT DISTURB OR SILENT MODE WHILE IN THE COURTROOM!!!**