

SURVEY OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

STANDING ORDERS: none

PROCEDURE TO ADMIT COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE: Applications for admission pro hac vice shall comply with L.Civ.R. 101.1(c) and shall be emailed, along with a cover letter advising the court whether there is adversary consent, to courtroom deputy Angela DiAndrea at Angela_DiAndrea@njd.uscourts.gov.

MOTION PRACTICES:

Formal Motions:

Summary Judgment Motions:

Dispositive Motions:

Motions to Seal:

Schedule:

Telephone Conferences:

Discovery Disputes:

Any party seeking to file motions shall seek leave of court by email to courtroom deputy Angela DiAndrea and shall provide, whenever possible, a proposed briefing and hearing schedule that has been consented to by opposing counsel.

COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE COURT: Communications with the Court shall be via email to Angela DiAndrea, by CM/ECF filing in cases on the docket, or by telephone.

COPIES OF PAPERS: no paper copies

TRIAL PRACTICES:

Jury Selection:

Method for Peremptory Challenges:

Effect of Pass in Peremptories:

Juror Note Taking:

Juror Questioning:

Jury Charges:

Exhibits:

Conferences with Jurors:

Trial Submissions. Trial briefs, proposed voir dire questions, proposed jury instructions, lists of pre-marked exhibits (tabs), witness lists including the name and address of each potential witness, and requests to charge should be submitted by counsel at least ten days prior to the commencement of the trial by email to Courtroom Deputy Angela DiAndrea: Angela_DiAndrea@njd.uscourts.gov

Jury Selection: All questions on voir dire will be asked by Judge Bergman. Judge Bergman follows the standard federal procedure for jury selection in criminal cases; thus, alternates are predesignated in criminal cases.

Methods for Peremptory Challenges: Judge Bergman prefers that counsel stand and announce their peremptory challenges.

Effect of Pass in Peremptories: Judge Bergman requires that a party forfeit any peremptory challenge that could have been, but was not, used in any round where the adversary continues to exercise peremptories.

Juror Note Taking: Judge Bergman permits jurors to take notes.

PROBATION REPORT:

Juror Questioning: Judge Bergman does not permit jurors to submit questions to the Court to be posed to witnesses.

PARTICULAR CONCERNS:

Jury Charges: Judge Bergman provides jurors with a written copy of the jury charge. She charges the jury on substantive matters after closing arguments. She may charge the jury on the substantive law before closing arguments if counsel requests.

Exhibits: Judge Bergman prefers the use of jury books containing exhibits and ordinarily sends all exhibits to the jury room except narcotics, weapons or money. If jurors wish to see such an exhibit during deliberations, they will be permitted to do so in open court. The Courtroom Deputy shall take possession of all exhibits as they are entered into evidence, except narcotics, money and weapons. Possession of these exhibits shall remain with the prosecuting attorney and/or investigating agency throughout the trial.

If counsel intends to use electronic demonstrative evidence at trial, please notify the Court at least 10 days in advance of trial.