

NOTICE TO THE BAR

MUNICIPAL COURT - VIRTUAL FORMAT FOR ALL INITIAL APPEARANCES

This notice clarifies the Supreme Court's [October 27, 2022 Order](#) ("Future of Court Operations 2.0") with regard to the format for certain matters in the Municipal Courts, in particular, initial appearances.

Effective immediately, the initial appearance in all Municipal Court cases, including those involving consequences of magnitude, will be scheduled as a virtual initial appearance. Although all cases will be scheduled for a virtual initial appearance date, Municipal Courts will continue to accommodate reasonable requests by attorneys, parties, and other participants to appear in person as needed.

After the initial virtual court date, Municipal Court judges will continue to have discretion to schedule matters either in person or virtually based on the framework set out in the Supreme Court's October 27, 2022 Order.

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to the Administrative Office of the Courts Municipal Court Services Division at (609) 815-2900 extension 54850.



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