

Twenty-Ninth Judicial Circuit of Michigan

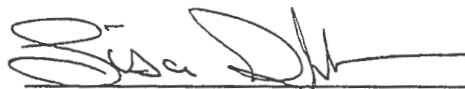
LISA SULLIVAN
CHIEF JUDGE

POLICY REGARDING THE USE OF CELL PHONES AND OTHER PORTABLE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES IN THE COURTROOMS

Pursuant to MCR 8.115(C), please take notice that it is the policy of the Clinton County Circuit, District, and Probate Courts, effective May 18, 2016 that:

1. Electronic communication devices, including cell phones, pagers, two-way portable radios, lap top computers, tablets, and any other electronic communication device that possess the capability of communication information from one person to another **are, without judicial permission, prohibited on the Third and Fourth Floors of the Courthouse for all non-employees, except for attorneys and law enforcement personnel.**
2. Attorneys may possess cell phones and other portable electronic devices but **must turn them off in the courtrooms** unless otherwise permitted by a Judge, Magistrate, or Referee.
3. No photographs may be taken of any juror or witness.
4. No photographs may be taken inside the courtroom without permission of the Court.

Failure to comply with this policy could result in a fine, including confiscation of the device, incarceration, or both for contempt of court.



Hon. Lisa Sullivan, Chief Judge
Clinton and Gratiot County Courts