

Judge: Patricia D. Gardner

Weekly Schedule:

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Gardner	AM:	Trial	NA	NA/Settlement Cnf	DL	Motions
	PM:	Trial	NA	NA/Adoption	DL	DL/GirlsCt/CA

Hearings: Judge Gardner will be handling hearings both in-person and via Zoom:

The following Hearing Types will be held in-person: Domestic evidentiary hearings and trials, Neglect Adjudications and Termination of parental rights hearings, PPO hearings, DL reviews

The following will be held via Zoom: Settlement Conferences, Motions, NA reviews

Your hearing notice will specify if the hearing is via zoom or in person. Her staff will contact you prior to the hearing to make sure you have Zoom addresses. You are encouraged to contact the judge's office if you have questions.

In Person Hearing Protocols:

- Persons experiencing fever or other symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should not attend in person hearings and are encouraged to seek testing
- Unvaccinated persons should wear a facial covering within the building (the temporary removal of a facial covering for essential functions such as identification only adds marginal risk and is acceptable)
- The spacing of individuals will be done, within reason, to maximize social distancing
- Unessential personal contact and crowding will be avoided
- Facial coverings will be available

Procedure for requesting Remote or In-Person Hearings:

If you would like to request that your hearing be changed from in-person to remote, or vice versa, submit a written request to the judge's staff at least 2 weeks prior to the hearing with the following information:

1. Your name
2. Hearing date and time
3. Your reason for requesting a remote hearing

The judge's staff will contact you with a response, and if applicable, a zoom address to attend the hearing virtually at least one business day before the hearing date.

Staff Contacts:

Renee Marzean: renee.marzean@kentcountymi.gov 616-632-5072

Contact Ms. Marzean for: NA, DL, and Girls Court

Shelley Hughston: shelley.Hughston@kentcountymi.gov 616-632-5070

Contact Ms. Hughston for: PPO, Adoption Domestic (Divorce, Custody, Child Support, Parenting Time)

Zoom Address: 985 486 6090

Join Zoom URL: [https://miscao.zoom.us/j/985 486 6090](https://miscao.zoom.us/j/9854866090)

Referee: Lynn Perry