

Judge: Christopher P. Yates

Weekly Schedule:

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Yates	AM:	Trial	Status Conf	Trial	Trial	Status Conf.
	PM:	Trial	Guardianship/Trial	Trial	Motions	Reserved

Hearings: Judge Yates will be handling his docket remotely except for jury trials.

Judge reserves the right to make exceptions to this arrangement. Make sure you read your paperwork carefully and contact his/her clerk 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/in-person 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.

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Zoom Meeting ID Number: 3380012614

Join Zoom URL: <https://miscao.zoom.us/j/3380012614>

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