IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF GRADY AND CADDO COUNTIES
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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Grady County, Oklahoma

AUG 17 2026

MICA HACKNEY, Court Clerk
By [illegible] Deputy

GENERAL ORDERS

ORDER REGARDING RECORDING DEVICES

In accordance with the reasons articulated in the attached letter, video/photographic cameras, audio recording devices and cell phones are prohibited in the courtroom. This rule applies to everyone, including news reporters. Attorneys and their designated support staff may utilize a cell phone or electronic device pursuant to Rule 1.5. No person is authorized to audibly record or video record any court proceeding without the express permission of the Court upon presentation of good cause.

The only person permitted to record a proceeding by any audio device, without prior approval from the Court, is an official court reporter or bailiff. Any person who violates this rule may have their camera, recording device or cell phone confiscated, and may be subject to imprisonment/fine for contempt of court.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

Dated this 17 day of August 2026

Kory Kirkland
Chief Judge of the District Court of the Sixth
Judicial District, Caddo and Grady Counties

KORY KIRKLAND
District Judge

MARY ALLEN
Bailiff

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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November 9, 2018

RE: Body Cams in Court proceedings

Dear Sheriff Weir,

Thank you for visiting with me about the possibility of your officers wearing body cameras in our district courtrooms. While I understand your desire to hold your employees above reproach, and to document any crimes which may occur, I cannot allow filming while court is underway.

A courtroom is a place where justice must be carried out regardless of outside influence. Cameras and filming have been proven to change the way people act and even think, fundamentally changing the nature of the legal process. Cameras invade the privacy of the parties, witnesses and jurors. Also, film may be altered by third parties to manipulate justice and cast doubt on legal proceedings. For these reasons, and many more, cameras are traditionally not allowed in Court without express permission of the Judge for good cause.

I want to emphasize that this policy is enforced almost universally throughout our state and most of the country. I also want to thank you again for providing such wonderful deputies. They don't just keep us safe, they go out of their way to brighten the day of everyone who works here.

Sincerely,

Honorable Kory Kirkland, District Judge

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

GENERAL ORDERS

ORDER REQUIRING THE WORDS "CIVIL MOTION DOCKET" IN THE TITLE OF ALL NOTICES OF HEARING FOR CIVIL MOTION DOCKETS

Due to a change in computer software, no case shall be placed on a Grady County Civil Motion Docket unless the notice of hearing clearly states CIVIL MOTION DOCKET in the title.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

Dated this 9 day of December, 2024.

Kory Kirkland
Chief Judge of the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District, Caddo and Grady Counties

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LISA HANNAH, Court Clerk
By Deputy

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Local Court Rules for Criminal Jury Trials

In addition to the Oklahoma rules of Evidence and Criminal Procedure, this Court has adopted the following rules for criminal trials.

1. Witness examination will ordinarily end after redirect. In certain circumstances, justice may require re-cross. In such a circumstance, counsel should approach the bench, state the subject and necessity for said examination.

2. Procedural objections may be made from the table, but substantive objections will be argued at the bench.

3. This Court strictly enforces the "1 attorney 1 witness" rule. Once an attorney begins any stage of trial, be it argument or examination, his or her co-counsel may not speak until that stage has been completed.

4. Absent specific motion and order, voir dire examination shall generally be limited to 4 hours per party.

5. Prior to any unusual demonstration, counsel must notify the court of his or her intentions. This may be done outside the presence of opposing counsel for strategic purposes.

This order shall be effective immediately, as of today, November 19, 2021.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

Kory Kirkland
District Judge

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LISA HANNAH, Court Clerk
By Deputy

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF GRADY AND CADDO COUNTIES
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Local Court Rules for Civil Jury Trials

In addition to the Oklahoma rules of Evidence and Civil Procedure, this Court has adopted the following rules for civil trials.

1. 10 days prior to the first trial setting, counsel must submit all proposed jury instructions. Counsel will file this request jointly and in numerical OUJI order. Agreed instructions shall be printed in black ink, Plaintiff in green and Defendant in Red. Any unique instructions shall be listed, subject to the same coloring, after all OUJI instructions. These instructions shall be double spaced, in 12 point type, one instruction per page, and emailed to the court's bailiff.

2. Witness examination will ordinarily end after redirect. In certain circumstances, justice may require one recross question. In such a circumstance, counsel should approach the bench, state the proposed question and justification for said question.

3. Procedural objections may be made from the table, but substantive objections will be argued at the bench.

4. This Court strictly enforces the "1 attorney 1 witness" rule. Once an attorney begins any stage of trial, be it argument or examination, his or her co-counsel may not speak until that stage has been completed.

5. Evidence should be marked and identified using the "colon" system and not by the "decimal" system. In other words, Page 5 of exhibit 10, would be listed as 10:5, and not 10.5.

6. Absent specific motion and order, voir dire examination shall generally be limited to 4 hours, 2 hours per side.

7. Absent specific motion and order, opening statements shall generally be limited to 1 hour, 30 minutes per side.

8. Closing argument time allotment shall be made at the conclusion of the evidence, based on the nature of the specific circumstances of the case.

9. The parties must be prepared to type the final draft of instructions. At instruction conference, as specific wording is ordered, a designee of the parties shall type these changes as we go.

10. Prior to any unusual demonstration, counsel must notify the court of his or her intentions. This may be done outside the presence of opposing counsel for strategic purposes.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

Kory Kirkland
District Judge

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GENERAL ORDERS

RULES PERTAINING TO TRANSCRIPTS CONTAINED IN THE CLERK'S FILE

NOW on this 4th day of September, 2019, effective immediately, no party shall be allowed to remove or "check out" a transcript which has been filed with the Grady County Court Clerk's office. Said transcripts may be reviewed in the office of the Court Clerk free of cost. However, any party who wishes to use a transcript in any proceeding or filing, shall obtain a copy of the same directly from the court reporter who transcribed the proceeding. Said Court Reporter shall be entitled to any and all costs for the transcription and / or copying of such transcripts as per statute.

Kory Slade Kirkland
Chief Judge of the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District, Caddo and Grady Counties

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LISA HANNAH, Court Clerk
By Deputy

GENERAL ORDERS

ORDER REQUIRING AGREED LIST OF MATTERS IN CONTENTION FOR CIVIL HEARINGS

Effective February 15, 2019 and thereafter, in any case which is set for multiple hearings on a specific motion docket, the parties must file an agreed list of all matters in contention at least one week prior said hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

Dated this 17th day of January, 2019

Kory Slade Kirkland
Chief Judge of the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District, Caddo and Grady Counties

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LISA HANNAH, Court Clerk
By Deputy

GENERAL ORDERS

ORDER REQUIRING MINIMUM 2 BUSINESS DAY NOTICE WHEN COURT REPORTER SERVICES ARE REQUESTED

Effective for hearings scheduled to begin on September 1, 2015 and thereafter, service of a court reporter in non-criminal matters shall be requested by contacting the judge presiding over the particular case, or person designated by that judge, no less than 2 business days prior to the hearing. A receipt for the court reporter fee paid to the Court Clerk shall accompany the request.

Failure to comply with this order will not be grounds for continuance.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

Dated this 31st day of August, 2015.

Richard G. Van Dyck
Chief Judge of the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District, Caddo and Grady Counties