

# Preparing for Court Attendance

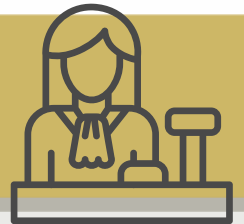
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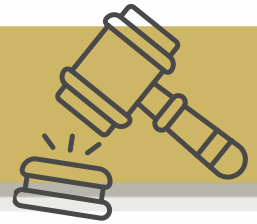
For safety reasons, water bottles are not permitted in the courtroom. There is water provided.

When entering the courtroom, it is customary to bow toward the Judge as a sign of respect but if you're uncomfortable, you can let court staff know.



Make sure your phone is on silent or turned off.

If you are planning on bringing a support person or advocate, you have to ask for permission from the judge.



When addressing the judge, one is expected to stand up and ask for permission when speaking.

If you have children, try not to bring them to court; it is best to arrange childcare before your appearance.



## How to prepare for consulting the Family Duty Counsel:

1. Have your full name and birthday, as well as the opposing party's name and birthday, ready for the conflict check.
2. Proof of home address
3. Write a few questions you might have in preparation