

Summary – Mode of Appearances in OCJ Family Domestic Proceedings

Proceeding	Mode of Appearance	<i>Family Law Rules / Legislation</i>
First Appearance Court/First Court Date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Clerk • By Judge 	Virtual	Rule 40
Initial Case Conference	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 17
Continuing Case Conference	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 17
Settlement Conference	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 17
Trial Management Conference	Virtual	Rule 17
Combined Conferences	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 17
Motions	Virtual, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 14/15
Trial Audit/Assignment Court	Virtual	
Trials	In-person with discretion for witnesses to appear virtually (hybrid), unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 23

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<p>FRO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Default Hearings (first appearances or TBST) • Default Hearings where temporary or final orders being sought (if seeking imprisonment) • Motion for a Warrant of Committal • Refraining Orders • ISOA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to Set Aside the Registration of an Order • Oral Hearings on ISOA applications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual • In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge for interim appearances • In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge for interim appearances • Virtual • In-person • Virtual 	<p>Rule 30</p> <p>Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act (and Rule 37 FLR) Rule 37.1</p>
<p>Hague and Non-Hague Jurisdictional Motions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge 	<p>S. 46 CLRA</p>

**Summary – Mode of Appearances in OCJ CYFSA (including adoption)
Proceedings**

Proceeding	Mode of Appearance	<i>Family Law Rules / Legislation</i>
First Hearing, if child has been brought to a place of safety	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	s.90 CYFSA/Rule 33
First Appearance on a Protection Application if child has not been brought to a place of safety /Status Review Application	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	CYFSA 113
Case Conference	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 17
Settlement Conference	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 17
Trial Management Conference	Virtual	Rule 17
Combined Conferences	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 17
Motions (including Place of Safety hearing)	In-person, unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 14/15/16
Trial Audit/Assignment Court	Virtual	
Trials	In-person with discretion for witnesses to appear virtually (hybrid), unless otherwise directed by the judge	Rule 23
Adoptions	In-person, if parties seek an appearance	Rule 34

