

Instructions for Attorneys

The IT Department for the US District Court will provide a laptop computer that has been prepared specifically for presentation of electronic exhibits to Jurors. This laptop will not have any network access, internet browsing capability, nor tools for opening files that are not specific to viewing or hearing evidence. A wired mouse and AC power adaptor will also be provided with the computer.

The IT Department will also provide a portable flat screen monitor, and a pair of computer speakers, in a location in the Jury room that will allow all Jurors to have a clear view of the content on the screen.

The laptop, loaded with the portfolio and all admitted exhibits, will be brought into the courtroom by IT and hooked into the courtroom display system. This will allow the attorneys, and court staff, to confirm inclusion of the proper Admitted Exhibits. Once Counsel has agreed to the content, the laptop will be presented to the Jurors and a brief tutorial will be given with copies of the Instructions for Jurors handout and a hardcopy of the admitted exhibits list.

Copies of the Admitted Exhibits Portfolio on CD/DVD will be provided to counsel at the conclusion of the trial.

Submitting Electronic Evidence

Exhibits must be presented to the Court prior to the trial date. Exhibits are to be delivered in the following format:

- Exhibits must be in PDF format, delivered via CD, DVD or other electronic method
- Each exhibit must be a single PDF Document
- PDF documents should be scanned using Optical Character Recognition if possible & encoded as a searchable PDF
- Exhibits that contain audio or video must be playable in Windows Media Player
- Exhibits must be numbered and named. Exhibit numbering should be per the Judge's instructions, contact the Courtroom Deputy for the Judge's naming convention
- An exhibit list in Word format must be emailed to the Court per the Judge's instructions. Contact the Courtroom Deputy for further direction

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