

# GENERAL RULES OF ATTIRE AND CONDUCT IN JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 4

## Courtroom Attire

**ALL PERSONS** present in the Courtroom shall be clean, neat and dressed in a manner that shows dignity and respect for the Court.

Provocative clothing designed, styled, or worn to provoke emotion or disrupt or distract will not be allowed.

## Courtroom Conduct

Conduct in the "Courtroom" also includes the reception/foyer area, jury room and/or any office space assigned to the Justice Court.

1. Any type of WEAPONS are PROHIBITED in the Courtroom and this building EXCEPT for LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL. **YOU ARE SUBJECT TO SEARCH!**
2. Be on time.
3. Address opposing parties, counsel, witnesses and court officers as "Mr.", "Miss", "Dr.", etc.
4. **Do not approach the Judge's bench without permission.** Do not rest arms on the bench.
5. Do nothing to disturb or distract the court, counsels, witnesses or other court personnel.
6. Do not read newspapers, magazines, periodicals, books, etc. in the Courtroom during proceedings.
7. Cellular phones and pagers should be turned to silent mode in the Courtroom.
8. All property in the Courtroom and reception area must be treated with respect. No writing on any papers posted or furniture.
9. No recording devices are allowed without judicial approval. PRO SE parties (individuals representing themselves without an attorney) should be prepared to present their cases in proper manner. It is **NOT** the court's duty to represent you nor instruct you on evidence, rules or how to present and prove your case. If you are unprepared, unaware and not knowledgeable as to presenting your case, you may lose your case.