

# State of Florida Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida

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## **Judicial Practice Preferences**

#### Communication.

Preferred communication is via e-mail with Judge Crane's Judicial Assistant, at lsmith@jud6.org.

#### Scheduling.

Please contact the Judicial Assistant by e-mail to obtain hearing dates, the Chief Judge's calendar is held in person at the Pinellas County Justice Center in Courtroom 1. Dates provided by the Judicial Assistant are not "held" so it is imperative to confirm hearing dates as soon as agreed upon by the parties.

### In Person v. Zoom Hearings.

All hearings shall be in person, unless a Zoom appearance is approved in advance. The Justice Administrative Commission (JAC) may appear via Zoom.

If you are appearing via Zoom, please make sure your connection is stable. Please use your best efforts to instruct your clients of this requirement as well.

#### Orders.

Proposed orders should be uploaded into JAWS for Pasco and Pinellas. Motions for Attorney's Fees, Due Process Costs, or Related Expenses should include a copy of the e-filed motion and response from the JAC.

Please email urgent or time sensitive orders to the Judicial Assistant or, if uploaded to JAWS, please notify the Judicial Assistant and the order will receive prompt attention.

#### E-filing.

The Court does not receive notice of motions or filings. If you wish the Court to review a filing prior to a hearing, please email it to the Judicial Assistant.