



**Sixth Judicial Circuit
Pinellas County Justice Center
Misdemeanor Arraignment Information**

If you have been noticed to appear in court for your arraignment, this will serve to assist you with information you should know prior to appearing. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the court has scheduled a minimal number of hearings for this date and time. This is to assure compliance with CDC requirements in social distancing and the wearing of face masks for your safety as well as others attending court. The courthouse Bailiffs will assist you in following these recommendations.

Arraignments are considered your first appearance in the court that will be handling your case. If you are represented by an attorney check with them to see if your attendance is required. Attorneys can file a Notice of Appearance on your behalf in lieu of your attendance. If you are not yet represented, or choose to represent yourself, you will need to either appear in person or by way of telephone or Zoom conference. For safety concerns, appearance by way of telecommunication or Zoom, is the preferred method of handling your arraignment.

If you wish to appear telephonically, please contact the judge's Judicial Assistant for additional information and to make arrangements. Remember, if you choose to appear in person you must wear a face mask and do not bring anyone with you as they will not be permitted into the courtroom. Please leave children at home with a responsible third party.

Should you have additional questions, or concerns, please contact the Judicial Assistant assigned to the division referenced on your notice of hearing.

- Division E- Judge Dorothy Vaccaro (727) 464-8740
- Division F- Judge Theodora C. Komninos (727) 464-6470
- Division G- Judge Kathleen T. Hessinger (727) 464-6219
- Division H- Judge Cathy McKyton (727) 453-7725
- Division L- Judge Robert Dittmer (727) 464-6095
- Division O- Judge Myriam Irizarry (727) 464-6902
- Division R- Judge Holly Grissinger (727) 453-7929

For criminal traffic cases:

If the address listed on your notice of hearing is Pinellas County Justice Center, 14250 49th Street North, Clearwater, FL 33762, you will need to contact South County Traffic Judge, Steve Berlin (727) 582-7620.

If the address listed on your notice of hearing is Pinellas County Government Center, 29582 US Highway 19 North, Clearwater, FL 33761, you will need to contact North County Traffic Judge, Susan Bedinghaus (727) 464-6193.