

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated

Title 20: Courts

Appendix II. Court Rules for the District Court of Cherokee Nation

II. Courtroom Decorum

Rule 12. Courtroom conduct

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The following is requested of counsel for proper courtroom conduct:

1. Arguments shall be addressed to the Court and not to opposing counsel.
2. Stand when talking to the Court or when addressed by the Court.
3. When examining a witness, stand or sit where the Court, witness, jury and reporter can hear you.
4. Do not sit on counsel table.
5. Cell phones and pagers are to be turned off while in the courtroom.
6. Do not read newspapers in the courtroom.
7. Do not take files, pleadings, or papers away from the Court Clerk's desk or exhibits from the Court Reporter unless you obtain permission to do so.
8. When your business in Court is finished, depart from the courtroom quietly if you wish to retire. Do not hold conferences in the courtroom with your client when Court is in session.
9. Advise your clients as to the impropriety of discussing pending matters in the courtroom.
10. Your conduct in the courtroom as a member of the Bar demonstrates your respect for the administration of justice.

Historical Data

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