

CIVIL JURY TRIAL HANDOUT

DISTRICT COURT, DEPT 29

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Depositions

Original Depositions anticipated to be used in any manner during the trial must be delivered to the Department 29 clerk three judicial days prior to commencement of trial. If deposition testimony is anticipated to be used in lieu of live testimony, a designation (by page/line citation) of the portions of the testimony to be offered must be filed and served, fifteen (15) judicial days prior to commencement of trial. Any objections or counter designations (by page/line citation) of testimony must be filed and served, five (5) judicial days prior to commencement of trial. Counsel shall advise the clerk prior to publication. **The parties must bring an extra copy of depositions to be used for impeachment purposes for the Judge.**

Exhibits

In accordance with EDCR 2.67, counsel shall meet, review, and discuss exhibits. All exhibits must comply with EDCR 2.27. Three (3) sets must be three hole punched placed in three ring binders along with the exhibit list. The sets must be delivered to the clerk three judicial days prior to commencement of trial. Any demonstrative exhibits including exemplars anticipated to be used must be disclosed three judicial days prior to the commencement of trial. **Pursuant to EDCR 2.68, at the final Pre-Trial Conference, counsel shall be prepared to stipulate or make specific objections to individual proposed exhibits.** Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, demonstrative exhibits are marked for identification but not admitted into evidence.

Use of Exhibits in Opening Statements

Parties are not allowed to use non-admitted trial exhibits in Opening Statements unless previously agreed to by the opposing parties or expressly allowed by the Court.

Proposed Jury Instructions and Verdict Forms

In accordance with EDCR 2.67, counsel shall meet and discuss pre-instructions to the jury, jury instructions, special interrogatories, if requested, and verdict forms. The parties shall provide the Court, three judicial days prior to trial, their agreed jury instructions, proposed form of verdict, and their own proposed jury instructions that were opposed by the other party. The opposed jury instructions must be submitted with a citation to the relevant authority that would justify their inclusion as a jury instruction. All these documents should be submitted as an electronic copy in both Word and PDF formats to murphym@clarkcountycourts.us and dept29lc@clarkcountycourts.us.

Proposed Voir Dire

In accordance with EDCR 7.70, counsel shall submit proposed voir dire questions to the Court no later than three judicial days prior to the commencement of trial.