

## **What am I allowed to do in the Courtroom?**

The Court is charged with the responsibility of maintaining proper order and decorum. Accordingly, the Court shall require all participants (defendants, attorneys, witnesses, jurors, and any other individual) with whom the Judge deals in an official capacity, to conduct themselves and dress in a manner deemed fitting and respectable.

### **Manor Municipal Court courtroom Decorum**

**At the discretion of Court Security (bailiff) any persons entering the courtroom will be subject to a search at any time and inspection of any items carried into the courtroom.**

#### **Conduct**

Order shall be maintained at all times. Violation of this or any rule can result in a reprimand by the Judge, expulsion from courtroom or contempt of court, which could result in a FINE AND/OR 3 DAYS IN JAIL. Avoid bringing small children to court. If you must, please monitor their behavior so that they remain quiet at all times. Parents may be asked to step outside the courtroom if their child becomes noisy or unruly.

#### **Attire**

All persons present in the Courtroom shall be dressed in a manner that shows dignity and respect for the Court. The following is **NOT** appropriate dress:

- Sunglasses
- Hats/Caps
- Shorts/cut-offs
- Tank Tops/Halter Tops/Tube Tops/Spaghetti Straps
- Mini-Skirts
- Baggy-Saggy Pants/Pajama Top or Bottoms
- Flip-Flop Shoes
- Shirts with violent or offensive logos, pictures or writings
- Spandex or see-through clothing

All clothing should be neat and clean.

#### **Weapons**

For your safety, weapons of all types (guns, chemical spray, knives, etc.) are NOT PERMITTED in the courtroom unless you are a member of law enforcement in the discharge of your officer duties. Having a concealed handgun permit is NOT an exception to this rule.

#### **Electronic Devices (Computers/Tablets/iPads/Cell Phones/ Pagers)**

It is strongly recommended that you leave cell phones and pagers in your vehicle. If this is not possible, these devices must be placed on silent mode. Use of cell phones, pagers, computers, tablets and iPads in the Courtroom is prohibited (except for use by counsel). Failure to obey this rule may result in the Bailiff confiscating your electronic device during the proceedings.

#### **Items Prohibited in Courtroom**

- Weapons of any type (guns, chemical spray, knives, etc.)
- Use of any type of recording device/camera/cell phones/pagers
- Computers/iPads/Tablets (except for those used by counsel)
- Food/drinks (except for water at counsel tables)
- Use of Tobacco Products in any form
- Backpacks and duffle bags, except purses and diaper bags