



# THE SUPREME COURT of OHIO OFFICE OF COURT SERVICES

## How to Conduct a Remote Hearing Webinar

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“*We are building the airplane as we are flying it*” can aptly be used to describe the last three months, as the COVID-19 pandemic has forced courts to quickly implement new ways of conducting business. The restrictions on in-person appearances and desire to limit the number of people in the courthouses going forward have inspired courts to explore video conferencing platforms in an effort to prevent a massive backlog of cases from occurring. Though there are multiple applications available to conduct virtual hearings, the practical considerations are the same. While most are aware that such technology is available, many practitioners are still anxious about just how these platforms could work in their courtrooms and practices.

Attendees of this webinar will learn *how to* conduct an actual remote hearing, start to finish, using an online video conferencing platform. Presenters will highlight issues courts must consider before, during, and after a virtual proceeding, such as which proceedings are best suited for video conferencing, how confidential attorney-client communications can occur, what is the best mechanism for retaining the recording of the proceeding, and how to maintain public access for remote hearings. Additionally, presenters will demonstrate how to use different features (e.g. breakout rooms, share screen capability) that are frequently used in remote hearings. Finally, the webinar will include lessons learned and best practices from courts who are experienced in conducting virtual proceedings.

This webinar is being brought to you by the Advisory Committee on Children & Families but is designed for courts of all jurisdictions.

### FACULTY

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### AUDIENCE

For Judges, Magistrates, Court Administrators, and Court Personnel

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All participants need to register through [OhioCourtEDU](https://ohiocourt.edu).

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