

PREFERENCES FOR HEARINGS

My preferences for hearing are:

Contact information:

Phone: 515-281-8339 (cell 515-491-0869 for weeks outside of DM venue)

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Prehearing motions: Conference phone call with opposing counsel or email with copy to opposing counsel

Continuance motions: Same as for other prehearing motions

Preferences regarding exhibits at hearing:

Binding of Exhibits: No ring binders

Numbering for Claimant: Numerical

Numbering for Defendant(s): Alphabetical

Highlighting: May do so but not required

A detailed review of party's exhibits in excess of 50 pages will be conducted. Plan on additional hearing time to deal with excess exhibits.

Attorneys can avoid this detailed review of their exhibits at hearing by certifying to me that each page of their exhibit package is material and relevant to the disputed issues. However, this certification must be made with the understanding that if any of the exhibits are later found not to be material and relevant, sanctions shall be imposed against the party making the certification.

Presentation of video evidence: DVD only. Not to be viewed at hearing unless a witness refers to a segment at hearing.

Other: No x-rays or other imaging. No lab or other testing data. Medical treatment evidence must be limited when only extent of permanency is at issue.

Hearing Preferences:

Opening/Closing Statements: Permitted but no more than three (3) minutes for each party.

Trial Briefs/Contentions of Parties: Permitted only if filed in lieu of a post-hearing brief.

Timekeeping at hearing: Claimant is expected to rest after one/half of the time allotted is consumed (90 mins for 3 hr hearing)

Post-hearing Requirements:

Request for special accommodations: Same procedures as any other prehearing motion.

Briefs: May be allowed for up to a week following hearing depending upon my desire to deal with cases on an orderly and timely basis. All must be both filed and emailed within the time specified at hearing.

Motions: No special requirements.

Additional Evidence: Allowed only to provide response to a late report that could not have been obtained after exercising due diligence in case preparation.

Transcripts: Not required unless stated otherwise.