



State of Michigan
55th Judicial District Court

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SECTION: Public Relations & Information

POLICY NO: 9-4

SUBJECT: Camera Policy

PURPOSE: The use of a camera in a courthouse to take still pictures, movies, or voice recordings has the potential to disrupt the administration of justice and the business operations of the court. This policy restricts the use of a camera in the courthouse unless authorization has been approved.

POLICY: Except for wedding ceremonies conducted in the courthouse, no pictures, video recordings, or audio recordings shall be taken in any area of the courthouse unless approved by one of the following:

1. Chief Judge
2. Court Administrator
3. Presiding Judge – Only in matters where a request has been made by a media agency to record a court proceeding.

A request from a media agency to record a specific courtroom proceeding is governed by 55th District Court Policy 9-8 (Media Coverage of Courtroom Proceedings).

CHIEF JUDGE