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Court of Chancery Updates Guidelines for Litigants

Today, the Court of Chancery published updated Guidelines for Persons Litigating in the Court of Chancery.

Last updated in August 2021, the Guidelines identify best practices for moving cases forward to completion in the Court of Chancery. The Guidelines discuss the conduct of in-court hearings and trials and address other procedural issues for litigating cases before the Court of Chancery.

The Guidelines aim to help parties minimize disputes over process so the parties can focus on the substantive merits of a dispute. The Guidelines are not binding court rules but increase efficiency by establishing expectations for those practicing before the Court of Chancery.

Today's update:

- corrects outdated references to the Rules of the Court of Chancery following recent Rule amendments;
- decreases the volume of paper necessary to submit to the Court when preparing for and conducting trial;
- requests that parties submit electronic trial exhibits in searchable form; and
- updates protocols for hearings conducted by videoconferencing.

“Today's update to the Guidelines is part of a larger effort to implement quality improvement efforts at the Court of Chancery,” said Chancellor McCormick. “Assisting litigants and their counsel in understanding our expectations will result in a more efficient experience for everyone,” she said.

A copy of the updated Guidelines may be viewed at the following web address:
<https://courts.delaware.gov/chancery/guidelines.aspx>