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## Standing Order on Hearing Notices

Paragraph 5 of Administrative Order 49 concerning remote hearings was deleted effective September 6, 2022. The Reporter's Notes regarding the change provided that remote participation in civil/environmental/probate/most family proceedings will be governed by existing Vt. R. Civ. P. 43.1, subject to any changes that might result from the work of the Special Advisory Committee on Remote Hearings. The Advisory Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure is currently considering amendments to Vt. R. Civ. P. 43.1 that the Special Advisory Committee on Remote Hearings has recommended.

Vt. R. Civ. P. 43.1(c)(3) and (4) presently provide that a court may require remote participation and that a judge may preside from a remote location in an order served on all parties. Until further notice, any Notice of Hearing in a case in this division that specifies that a hearing is remote is sufficient to give the required notice under Vt. R. Civ. P. 43.1(c)(3) and (4).

In Divisions/proceedings to which Vt. R. Civ. P. 43.1 does not directly apply, the hearing notice shows the Court's intention to proceed in-person, remotely, or in a hybrid fashion, as indicated. The parties and attorneys in those cases are to confer and, if no agreement is reached, lodge any objections to the noticed hearing format as soon as possible.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2022.

Timothy B. Tomasi Superior Court Judge