

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH

In re: CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS REGARDING CIVIL JURY TRIALS

Order – Civil Jury Trials

The Court enters this Order to advise court users of the operations of this Court as to civil jury trials for the month of October 2021.

1. The following shall apply to all civil jury cases with a Monday trial date for the remaining months of 2021: Due to constitutional requirements, criminal jury trials shall take priority. All criminal jury trials have been scheduled to begin on Mondays for the remaining months of 2021. Therefore, the Court will not be able to hear civil jury cases with a Monday trial date and such case must be rescheduled to a new trial date by counsel unless otherwise ordered by the Court.
2. The following shall apply to all civil jury cases with a Tuesday and Wednesday trial date for the month of October 2021: The Court can hear one (1) civil jury case on each Tuesday and two (2) civil jury trial on each Wednesday. The oldest case, based on filing date, shall have priority, and will have the opportunity to be heard. The clerk's office shall contact counsel for the oldest case by phone first to determine its status and to inquire whether the trial date is desired. If the case is a "go" for a jury trial, then that case will be the case heard and the Court shall issue an Order of such fact to counsel of record. The Court will issue a continuance order if the case is not in line to be heard.
3. The above operations do apply to non-jury civil cases. Any non-jury civil case shall be heard on its scheduled trial date.
4. Further orders will be posted as the schedule is determined by the Court.

ENTER: 8/31/21


CHIEF JUDGE