

## **RULE # 41: JUVENILE COURTROOM DECORUM AND CONDUCT**

Any person entering the Courtroom is subject to search.

No person carrying a bag, case or parcel shall be permitted to enter or remain in any Courtroom, without first submitting item to security personnel for inspection.

Public access to hearings shall be governed by Ohio Revised Code Section 2151.35 and Juvenile Rule 27.

No tape recorders, cameras, video cameras, recording or photograph-capable cellular telephone, personal computers, or any other device capable of recording sound or pictures shall be permitted to be used in any Courtroom, or upon entering the second floor of the Courthouse, absent expressed written consent of the Court, and in accordance with Local Rule 11, Media in the Courts.

No portable telephones, pagers, or beepers shall be permitted to be utilized in any Courtroom, unless said devices are silent in operation, and the Court consents to the utilization of the same.

All persons attending proceedings shall deactivate any and all electronic, cellular, or digital devices in their possession prior to entering any Courtroom. Any such device which emits an audible signal during any proceeding in this Court, may be confiscated.

Persons committing any violation of proper conduct shall be removed from any Courtroom, waiting area, hallway, entryway or any location in the Courthouse by security personnel charged with the enforcement of this Rule.

Except for those who are witnesses, victims, or subjects of the proceeding, children are not permitted in the Courtroom, unless by consent of the Court. Children who are permitted in the Courtroom must be accompanied by an adult, who will be solely responsible for their safety, care and behavior.

The effective date of the Rule is February 15, 2013.