

1 | **Rule 4-106. Electronic-Remote conferencing.**

2 | **Intent:**

3 | To authorize the use of electronic conferencing from a different location in lieu of personal  
4 | appearances in appropriate cases.

5 | To establish the minimum requirements for remote appearance from a different location.

6 | **Applicability:**

7 | This rule shall apply to all courts of record and not of record.

8 | **Statement of the Rule:**

9 | ~~(1) In the judge's discretion, any hearing may be conducted using telephone or video conferencing.~~

10 | ~~(2) Any proceeding in which a person appears by telephone or video conferencing shall proceed as~~  
11 | ~~required in any other hearing including keeping a verbatim record.~~

12 | (1) If the requirements of paragraph (3) are satisfied, the judge may conduct the hearing remotely.

13 | (2) If the requirements of paragraph (3) are met, the court may, for good cause, permit a witness, a  
14 | party, or counsel to participate in a hearing remotely.

15 | (3) The remote appearance must enable:

16 | (3)(A) a party and the party's counsel to communicate confidentially;

17 | (3)(B) documents, photos and other things that are delivered in the courtroom to be delivered  
18 | previously or simultaneously to the remote participants;

19 | (3)(C) interpretation for a person of limited English proficiency; and

20 | (3)(D) a verbatim record of the hearing.