

# County of Fairfax, Virginia

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## Video Teleconferencing

Fairfax County Court's high-tech courtrooms offer video teleconferencing (VTC) capability for local and remote arraignments/advisements, remote witnesses, remote judges, and protected witnesses. VTC is made available through the use of high-end, secure video-conferencing technology utilizing high-speed Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) data transfer lines. The capability to bridge an Internet Protocol (IP) connection is also possible. The use of private services such as Skype, WebEx, or Adobe Connect is not presently permitted due to network security and other quality of service issues.

Use of the VTC capabilities within the high-tech courtrooms requires the following:

- ❖ Approval from the court (judge) to use VTC
- ❖ Access to an external video teleconference system
- ❖ Reservation of a high-tech courtroom
- ❖ Coordination of all arrangements with the court and between parties

The requesting party is responsible for any and all external costs associated with the VTC event. This may include arranging for technical support, testing, and any of the costs incurred from the external provider. No courthouse charges will be incurred by the user so long as the connecting call is made to the courthouse. The Courts bear **no** responsibility for the quality of service from external providers, **nor** is the court obligated to provide technical services to support external providers or their equipment.

The use of video teleconferencing meets the primary objectives to improve citizens' access to the Courts, facilitate trials and hearings in the most effective and efficient means possible, allow for all three Courts to share common resources, and provide for flexibility and adaptability to incorporate future changes in technology and court proceedings.

For more information visit: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/courts/crto](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/courts/crto)



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