

1 **LR3-112. Audiovisual appearances, [Telephone conferences] telephonic appearances, and**
2 **hearings.**

3 [Telephonic] Audiovisual appearances and telephonic appearances must be arranged in
4 advance through [a telephone conference] an audiovisual provider approved by the court, unless
5 otherwise authorized by the judge assigned to the case. On motion and good cause shown, the
6 court may permit an alternative method of [telephonic] remote appearance. [~~Any costs associated~~
7 ~~with the telephone conference must be borne by the party making the telephonic appearance.~~]

8 A. **Civil cases.** [Telephonic] Audiovisual appearances and telephonic appearances by
9 parties and attorneys are permitted in civil cases, with prior approval of the [Court] court. In
10 addition, when a party seeks to take audiovisual or telephonic testimony, that party must request
11 leave of the court for [~~such~~] the audiovisual or telephonic testimony.

12 B. **Criminal cases.** [Telephonic] Audiovisual and telephonic appearances in criminal
13 cases are permitted only if all parties of record agree and only if the hearing is one where the
14 physical presence of the defendant is not required in the courtroom and no testimony is required
15 for the hearing.

16 [Adopted by Supreme Court Order No. 16-8300-015, effective for all cases pending or filed on or
17 after December 31, 2016; as amended by Supreme Court Order No. S-1-RCR-2024-00057,
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