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ASNMSU Supreme Court Witness Information Sheet

Witness Rights

- 1. You are not required to participate in trials as a witness unless you are subpoenaed by the Court.
- 2. No person can issue a subpoena for your participation except the Court.
- 3. If you are subpoenaed to testify, appear, or produce a document or object, you must follow the Court's order. If you do not, you may be held in Contempt of Court, which may impact your ability to use ASNMSU services.
- 4. If you receive a subpoena that you believe is frivolous or is being used by a party to intimidate, harass, or otherwise harm you, you may object to the subpoena.
- 5. No person can threaten you to participate as a witness. If you are threatened or feel threatened, please report to the Court.
- 6. No person can tell you how you must testify in Court or ask you to change your testimony. If this occurs, report to the Court.
- 7. If you choose to participate as a witness, you are not required to answer questions that you feel will incriminate yourself or open yourself to litigation. If you do choose to answer a question that may incriminate yourself, you are still required to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

Appearing at Trial

- 1. You must report to a Justice or the Advisor overseeing the trial when you arrive on the day of trial.
- 2. You will be instructed where to wait until you are called to testify.
- 3. When waiting to be called to testify, you may not communicate with any person about the trial or case proceedings. You may not communicate with any other witness. You may also not use any communication device, such as a phone or laptop.
- 4. When you are called in to testify, a Justice will administer an oath. This oath is as follows: "You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony you give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth." The proper response to this is "I do."
 - a. You may choose to either swear or affirm. Please check the appropriate box by the signature line of this document.
- 5. When you are called as a witness, you will be questioned by both parties if they choose.
- 6. You will be dismissed or given further instructions at the conclusion of your testimony.
- 7. If you are unexpectedly unable to attend trial:
 - a. If you have agreed to be a witness but have not been subpoenaed: please send an email to the party that has requested you to appear and placed you on their witness list
 - b. If you have been subpoenaed by the Court: please immediately contact the Chief Justice (asnmsu court@nmsu.edu) or the assigned Justice.



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Contacts:

- 1. Chief Justice: Danielle Duran, asnmsu court@nmsu.edu
- 2. Associate Justices: asnmsu aj@nmsu.edu
 - a. Joey Rodriguez
 - b. Javan Hollins
 - c. Makayla Grinnan
 - d. Anaya Gonzalez
- 3. Supreme Court Advisor: Dr. Sarah Edwards, sarahed@nmsu.edu

Signature Sheet

Received Date/Time:

By signing below, I am stating that I have received the ASNMSU Supreme Court Witness Information Sheet and understand my rights and responsibilities as a witness. I am participating voluntarily or have been subpoenaed by the ASNMSU Supreme Court. I have not been threatened by any person or party to participate. Affirmation I would like my oath to be administered as a(n): Sworn Oath Signature: ______Date: _____ Printed Name: NMSU Email: COURT USE ONLY Case: F24-SCR-Parties: Location: Time: Date:

Justice: