# Remote Hearing Best Practices

# For Self-Represented Litigants



### Create an Environment free from Distraction



# Limit Distractions

Turn off any TVs, phone notifications, and, if there are others around you, try moving to a room where you can close the door.

### **Presentation**

Be mindful of what is behind you. If possible, choose a blurred background.

#### **Stay Safe**

Be sure not to drive during the hearing.



#### **Environment**

Be sure you have a well-lit environment, but make sure there is no bright light behind you.

## **Make Sure Your Device Works Properly**

### Video

Be sure that your device camera is uncovered. It is best to place it eye level.



#### **Audio**

If possible, use headphones with an attached microphone. They provide the best quality and pick up the fewest background

noise.

#### **Power**

Try to have your device plugged in, rather than relying on your battery, alone.



## Before and During the Hearing

#### Identification

Enter your first and last name when you join.



#### Microphone

When not speaking, please make sure to mute your microphone.



#### **Speaking**

Speak one at a time and be sure to pause, to allow for audio or video lag.



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