

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF SUPERINTENDENCE
FOR THE COURTS OF OHIO**

Comments Requested: The Supreme Court of Ohio will accept public comments until November 21, 2018, on the following proposed amendments to the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio.

Comments on the proposed amendments should be submitted in writing to: John VanNorman, Deputy Chief Legal Counsel, Supreme Court of Ohio, 65 South Front Street, 7th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3431, or john.vannorman@sc.ohio.gov not later than November 21, 2018. Please include your full name and mailing address in any comments submitted by e-mail.

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3. New language to be added appears in underline. Example: text

1 **RULES OF SUPERINTENDENCE FOR THE COURTS OF OHIO**
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4 **RULE 12. Conditions for Broadcasting and Photographing Court Proceedings.**
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8 **(C) Limitations.**
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10 (1) There shall be no audio pickup or broadcast of conferences conducted in a court
11 facility between attorneys and clients or co-counsel or of conferences conducted at the bench
12 between counsel and the judge.
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14 (2) The judge shall inform victims and witnesses of their right to object to being filmed,
15 videotaped, recorded, or photographed.
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17 (3) Unless permitted by the judge, there shall be no filming, videotaping, recording, or
18 photographing of jurors or prospective jurors. In courtrooms where the filming, videotaping,
19 recording, or photographing of trial participants is impossible without including the jury as part of
20 the background, it shall be permitted, provided close-ups clearly identifying individual jurors shall
21 be prohibited.
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23 (4) This rule shall not be construed to grant media representatives any greater rights
24 than permitted by law.
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26 ~~(4)~~(5) Media representatives shall not be permitted to transmit or record anything other
27 than the court proceedings from the courtroom while the court is in session.
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