

JUDGE ALISON BREAUX

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PROFILE

Bachelor of Arts - Kent State University
Juris Doctorate - University of Akron, School of Law
Common Pleas Judge: January 2017 - present

HOUSEKEEPING

Be on time. Call if you will be late. Be dressed appropriately and have clients do the same. No cell phones, cameras, children or eating in the courtroom.

GENERAL - Civil

First pretrials are handled via video conference with judicial attorney at which time case management is discussed and dates are set for trial, final pretrial, discovery, reports (if applicable), dispositive motions (if applicable) and mediation (if requested). Please discuss any anticipated issues or concerns that may require additional time or extensions so they may be worked into the Case Management Order (CMO). Individuals with authority are required to appear for settlement conferences, final pretrials and mediation.

Counsel and parties are expected to conduct discovery with professionalism and cooperation. Should issues arise, court must be contacted prior to filing any motions to compel. Extensions and continuances: mutually agreed upon extensions are favored; however motions are required. Dispositive motions, responses and reply briefs are permitted pursuant to the Civil Rules or in accordance with the CMO; sur replies are permitted only with leave of court.

Trial preparation: Fourteen (14) days prior to trial, provide and/or file the following to the court with courtesy copies to opposing counsel and the Court: jury instructions, witness lists and exhibits. Motions *in Limine* are due 28 days prior to trial.

GENERAL - Criminal

Call Day - Tuesday 8:30 AM. Attendance by defendants and counsel is expected in person. Individuals in custody will appear by video. Requests to attend virtually may be granted with proper notice. Hearings on Motions to Suppress may be set by written order signed by both counsel and Defendant, provided the motion has been timely filed. Orders with Trial Date and Final Pretrial may also be completed with proper signatures.

VIDEO CONFERENCES

Zoom technology is available for civil pretrials and other matters. Appearances on criminal cases shall be in person, unless authorization to appear via zoom is granted in advance.

To access Zoom, follow the instructions below:

- 1) Go to <https://zoom.us/join>
- 2) Input the meeting ID
- 3) Click **“Download Now”** to install the application on your smart phone or device **OR** you can click the link to join directly from your web browser

Once granted access to the meeting, join audio **and** video, and input your name in the space under the meeting ID.

Remain on mute. If you encounter difficulties, you may contact Judge Breaux’s Court: Alex Lee, Judicial Assistant, at 330.643.2241; Email Address: alee@summitpcourt.com

CIVIL ZOOM ID: 285 280 2166

CRIMINAL ZOOM ID: 998 9588 2547

The link: [Judge Breaux Court Appearances](#)

TRIAL

*Jury trials begin on Wednesdays and will recess Tuesdays for criminal call day and HOPE Court. Counsel is expected to familiarize themselves with courtroom technology and ensure compatibility with it **prior to the commencement of trial.***

Voir Dire - court conducts general inquiry, followed by counsel. Jurors are permitted to take notes but not ask questions. Preapproved exhibits may be used during opening statements.

Objections are not to be argued between counsel or before the jury.

Counsel may address jurors at the close of trial.

HOPE COURT

Judge Breaux initiated Summit County’s first felony mental health court: HOPE (healing, opportunity, progress & empowerment). HOPE Mental Health Court is a certified specialized docket specified for individuals diagnosed with a severe and persistent mental illness who have been convicted of a qualifying felony offense. This intensive probation program is designed to assist individuals achieve stability and success in the community while managing their mental illness. HOPE Court meets on Tuesday afternoons.