



Michigan Court of Appeals

Case Call Oral Argument

Upon entry in March of emergency orders by the Governor and Michigan Supreme Court related to the public health crisis caused by the coronavirus, the Court developed a plan to continue in some fashion with oral arguments during these unique circumstances. In April one panel successfully tested arguments with the Zoom platform, while in May all panels had that same platform available for any oral arguments.

As a result, and until it is determined that the Court can return to the traditional in-person arguments on all endorsed cases, the Court will continue to utilize Zoom for any oral arguments. The Court will notify the parties in each case scheduled for that session whether their case has been chosen for virtual argument, or whether the panel has unanimously concluded that the case can be properly decided on the parties' briefs without oral argument. MCR 7.214(E). If a case is chosen for argument, the Clerk will provide the necessary information to allow the endorsed parties to participate in the virtual arguments. Commencing in June, video of cases argued can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/c/MichiganCourtofAppeals>.