SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIVE RULES HEARINGS
DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC
RULE PETITION 20-04

INSTRUCTIONS

The following procedures will apply to Supreme Court public administrative rules hearings conducted while the Supreme Court Hearing Room is closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

1. Consistent with standard administrative rules practice, each public hearing notice will be distributed as follows:

- By a publication of a copy of the order and of the petition in the official state newspaper once each week for three consecutive weeks;
- By publication in an official publication of the State Bar of Wisconsin not more than 60 days nor less than 30 days before the date of the hearing;
- By posting on the court's administrative rules website at https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/pending/2004.htm together with a copy of the petition;
- By distribution to the standard list of interested persons used by the court to seek public comment.

2. Any interested person who wishes to provide verbal comment regarding this matter during the public hearing should so advise the Clerk of Supreme Court using the procedure set forth below.

3. Following the public hearing, the Supreme Court will convene in closed administrative conference to discuss the pending petition and

will issue a written order, in due course, setting forth the Supreme Court's decision on the matter.

Instructions for Providing Comment During the Public Hearing

Any interested person who wishes to make a comment regarding this matter during the public hearing shall advise the Clerk of Supreme Court by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18, 2020. The request to comment shall be sent by email to: clerk@wicourts.gov. The subject line shall state: "January 14, 2021 public hearing on Rule Petition 20-04 – **Request to Speak**." The email shall include the full name and contact information for the person submitting the comment, including the email address and/or telephone number the person will use to access the remote hearing. If any special access, visual or hearing arrangements are necessary for your (remote) appearance in court, please advise the Clerk. Prospective speakers will be contacted in advance of the public hearing with instructions regarding the procedures for using video/audio conferencing. Prepared comments should be limited to five (5) minutes. Comments should not duplicate written materials submitted to the court. The court reserves the right to alter the time permitted for comment and to screen comments that may not be germane to this proceeding.