CT Supreme and Appellate Courts to Hear Cases Remotely
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Connecticut's Supreme and Appellate courts – in an effort to continue hearing cases amid the pandemic -- will hear arguments remotely in April and May, respectively.

The Supreme Court will begin hearing cases remotely on Monday, April 27. The case assignment for the Supreme Court will be available on the Judicial Branch's website no later than Tuesday, April 21. It is expected that the Supreme Court will remotely hear two cases per day on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the weeks of April 27 and May 4. Audio recordings of these oral arguments will be available to the public on the Judicial Branch's website following the argument. Audio is typically available to the public shortly after the conclusion of the argument.

The Appellate Court will begin hearing cases remotely beginning Monday, May 11. The case assignment for the Appellate Court will be available no later than Tuesday, May 5, on the Judicial Branch's website. It is expected that the Appellate Court will remotely hear three cases per day on Monday, Wednesday and Friday the weeks of May 11, May 18, and May 25. The Appellate Court will not hear cases on Memorial Day, May 25. Audio recordings of Appellate Court oral arguments will be available to the public beginning on May 11 on the Judicial Branch's website.

"This plan allows the Supreme and Appellate courts to hear oral arguments while at the same time reducing the physical footprint in our courthouses, thus reducing the possibility of anyone contracting COVID-19," Chief Justice Richard A. Robinson said. "I am appreciative of all of the work that has gone into this plan, so that the Supreme and Appellate courts may continue to fulfill their constitutional responsibilities."