



**THE 10TH CIRCUIT COURT**



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**ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY**

Joint Local Administrative Order  
10<sup>th</sup> Circuit, 2013 - 08 -J  
Saginaw Probate, 2013- 02 -J  
70<sup>th</sup> District, 2013- 04 -J

1. This administrative order is issued in accordance with MCR 8.112. This order is effective immediately upon approval by the State Court Administrative Office.
2. Except with a judge's permission, possession and/or use of the following devices is prohibited in court related facilities:
  - audio and/or video recording and/or broadcasting devices
  - camera/photographic devices
  - electronic communication devices

Electronic communication devices include any device capable of communicating information from one person to another, including cell phones, pagers, two way radios, and laptop/notebook/tablet computers.

Court related facilities include the Saginaw County Circuit Court, District Court, and Probate Court (including the entire Juvenile/Family Court facility) courtrooms, court administrative offices, Friend of the Court offices, probation offices, and related common areas.

3. Permission to possess and/or use a device described in paragraph 2 may be modified, limited, suspended, or terminated by a judge at any time.
4. All persons and property (including closed containers) entering court related facilities are subject to search by Sheriff Deputies for the purpose of enforcing this order. The search shall be no more intrusive than necessary to enforce this order, and shall be based on a reasonable, articulable suspicion that the person or property subject to search may reveal an offending device.

5. Failure to comply with this order may result in appropriate sanctions, including (A) being summarily barred or removed from court related facilities, and/or (B) imposition of a fine, including confiscation of any offending device, incarceration, or both for contempt of court.
6. Each court administrator is directed to post conspicuous notice of this order in appropriate locations.
7. This order is not intended as an exhaustive expression of standards of decorum to be observed in court related facilities, or to otherwise limit judges' express or inherent authority.

Date: October 30, 2013



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Fred L. Borchard, Chief Judge,  
10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court

Date: October 30, 2013



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Patrick J. McGraw, Chief Judge,  
Saginaw County Probate Court

Date: October 30, 2013



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M. Randall Jurrens, Chief Judge,  
70<sup>th</sup> District Court