

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
450 GOLDEN GATE AVENUE
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102



VINCE CHHABRIA
JUDGE

Judge Chhabria's Zoom criminal calendar takes place on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., and his in-person criminal calendar takes place on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.

Members of the public can watch the 11:00 a.m. calendar through the Zoom link to Judge Chhabria's virtual courtroom, which is located on his webpage. If the government and the defendant wish to appear on the Zoom calendar, they must be prepared to consent to a remote proceeding and waive any Rule 53 objections.

Ordinarily, members of the public will not be provided remote audio access to the 1:00 p.m. in-person calendar; they must observe the proceedings in the courtroom. In special circumstances, the Court will consider a request to provide the public with remote audio access to an in-person criminal hearing, but only if the request is made in advance, and only if the government and defendant consent and waive any Rule 53 objection.

Out-of-Custody Defendants

All of the following proceedings must take place in person, with the defendant present, on the 1:00 p.m. calendar:

- Initial appearances (including initial appearance on an alleged supervised release violation)
- Substantive motion hearings
- Change of pleas
- Sentencings
- Any other hearing or status conference where either the defendant or government requests that the matter be held in person.

For any proceedings other than the ones described above (for example, subsequent status conferences, scheduling conferences, and trial settings), the attorneys and the defendant may appear by Zoom at 11:00 a.m., assuming they consent to a remote proceeding and waive any Rule 53 objections.

In-Custody Defendants

All matters for in-custody defendants will take place in person, with the defendant present, on the 1:00 p.m. calendar.

For subsequent status conferences, the defendant may waive their appearance so long as the government consents. If the defendant's appearance is waived, the parties may request to switch to the 11:00 a.m. Zoom calendar, assuming they waive any Rule 53 objections.