

ARRAIGNMENT

- Appearance by video - steps found on orem.gov/courtvideo
- Defendant completes rights and enhancement form and indicates if they want an attorney
- Defendant told of the charges filed - this is not the time for parties to tell the judge details about the case
- Judge reviews rights and how defendant wants to proceed concerning representation
- If the charges include domestic violence a determination is made if a protective order should be issued
- Defendant enters their plea

PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

- Case scheduled for a pre-trial conference
- If defendant is representing themselves, directed to contact the city prosecutor to discuss resolution and discovery
- If defendant appointed a public defender or hiring their own attorney, they are directed to stay in contact with that attorney to discuss resolution options

PRETRIAL CONFERENCE/DISPOSITION

- Parties indicate if a resolution has been reached
- If resolution has been reached, then it is stated in court and approved by the judge. Judge may approve all or part of the agreement. If resolution includes entering a guilty or no contest plea the defendant is given the option to be sentenced same day or come back for sentencing.
- If no resolution then matter is set for a bench or jury trial

BENCH OR JURY TRIAL

- Evidence presented by both sides
- Determination made if defendant is guilty or not guilty
- If found not guilty the case ends
- If found guilty then the defendant is given the option to be sentenced same day or come back for sentencing

PLEA OF GUILTY OR NO CONTEST

Defendant given option to be sentenced same day or come back for sentencing

SENTENCING

Judge imposes combination of jail, fine, fees & treatment

APPEAL

- Parties can appeal a court decision within 28 days of sentencing by submitting a written notice of appeal to the justice court.
- Case will be transferred to the district court and they will create a new case. Parties should contact the district court for information on court dates for the appeal.