

**PROCEDURES REGARDING TELEPHONIC APPEARANCES**  
**Effective January 1, 2009**

Telephonic appearances before Judge Maureen A. Tighe in Courtroom 302 are generally allowed. **No telephone appearances are allowed for the Chapter 13 calendar or any evidentiary hearings.** However, in order to appear telephonically, counsel must adhere to the following procedure:

Standard Procedure

1. At least 48 hours prior to the hearing, counsel must call Court Call, an independent conference call company, to arrange their telephonic appearance. Counsel may reach Court Call at (888) 882-6878.
2. After Court Call has confirmed a telephonic appearance, counsel must immediately notify the courtroom deputy of counsel' approved telephonic appearance. The courtroom deputy may be reached at (818) 587-2815.

Emergency Procedure (Approval requested without 48 hours notice)

If an unexpected emergency arises that prevents counsel from following the standard procedure detailed above, counsel must telephone chambers and obtain a law clerk's approval to appear telephonically. A law clerk will only approve late requests for legitimate and unanticipated emergencies. Once approved, counsel must contact Court Call to arrange a telephonic appearance. If Court Call is not able to accommodate counsel's late request or if the Judge's law clerk denies the request, counsel will not be permitted to appear telephonically and counsel must make an appearance in court, as usual.

**Individuals choosing to appear telephonically do so at their own risk. Hearings generally will not be rescheduled due to missed connections. Furthermore, in deciding to appear telephonically, counsel is agreeing to waive any prejudice attributable to quality deficiencies or irregularities of the record that may result.**

**Please be advised that poor reception will cause counsel's appearance to be disconnected. Repeated poor connections may cause counsel to be banned from future telephonic appearances.**

If an individual schedules a telephonic appearance and then fails to respond to the call of a matter on calendar, the court may pass the matter or may treat the failure to respond as a failure to appear. Scheduling simultaneous telephonic appearances in multiple courts does not excuse a failure to appear when a matter is placed on calendar.

Before appearing, check Judge Tighe's calendar and review any tentative ruling on WebPACER.