

## **VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF NELSON**

### **DRESS CODE ORDER**

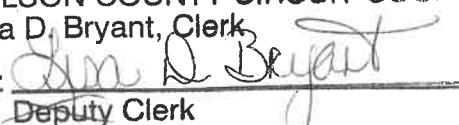
To encourage order, respect and dignity for the proceedings in the Circuit Court that will foster a dignified, professional and safe environment for all parties conducting business with this Court, I do hereby ORDER the following dress code, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. This dress code shall remain in effect until and unless modified by a subsequent Court Order.

All persons involved in matters before the Circuit Court are required to dress in a respectful and appropriate manner, indicative of the setting and dignity of court proceedings. This includes, but is not limited to, the following guidelines:

- No wearing of halter tops, tank tops, sleeveless shirts, shorts, distressed apparel, exposed underwear, flip flops, bedroom slippers, body suits, bathing suits or sunglasses;
- No wearing of clothing with rude, obscene, vulgar, profane, racist, sexist, gang-related, drug or alcohol-related words or pictures;
- Pants are to be worn at the waistline;
- Backs, buttocks, midriffs and stomachs are to be covered at all times;
- Except for *bona fide* medical or religious reasons, no hats, bandanas, or head scarves may be worn. Except for bona fide medical reasons, no masks may be worn;
- No drinks, food or chewing gum are allowed in the courtroom; and
- All mobile phones must be turned off or placed in silent mode. Other Court rules provide more restrictions on the use of mobile phones.

Failure to comply with this Court Order may result in not being admitted into the Courtroom, being held in contempt of a court order, or in any other disposition deemed appropriate by the presiding judge.

Entered this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025

A Copy, Teste:  
NELSON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
Lisa D. Bryant, Clerk  
By:   
Deputy Clerk



Michael R. Doucette, Judge  
Nelson County Circuit Court