

Judge Mcdonald's Weekly Schedule

Email: The Judicial Assistant is best contacted by email - ctjaca1@ocnjcc.org

Probation & Defense Attorneys: Probation is to work through their liaison. Motions should be faxed or emailed and the original filed with clerk.

Monday through Friday

- **8:00am - 8:30am** Office Administrative Time
- **8:30am - 9:30am** All in jail felony arraignments, all VOP arraignments, & Notice To Appear
- **9:30-9:45** Break
- **9:45am - 11:00am** Early Pleas* & Motions** (up to 6 per day)
- **11:00am - 12:00pm** Office Administrative time
- **1:15pm - 2:30pm** VOP hearings "Block One" up to 10 cases A - K (Probationer's last name) Office Time
- **2:30am - 5:00am** VOP hearings "Block Two" up to 10 cases L - Z Office Time

* Negotiated pleas or pleas to the bench any day at 9:45, email ctjaca1@ocnjcc.org to schedule. Only truly contested cases should be in the afternoon.

** Motions and proposed orders are emailed or faxed (407-835-5068) to Judge. If hearing is needed, Judicial Assistant will contact your office to schedule. Otherwise, Judicial Assistant will fax signed orders to your office. Rulings or hearings set within 48 hours.

The flow of VOP court is arraignment and VOP hearing. There are no pre-hearings or "admonishments." All witnesses are to be subpoenaed for VOP hearing after arraignment or waiver. VOP hearing is about 30 days after arraignment. There will be very few exceptions to the rule. Hearings will be bifurcated with all "technical violations" being tried as described, and new law violations later, if still relevant. State and defense are expected to be ready on VOP hearing date. Very few cases should be pending beyond 30 days from arraignment.