

LOCAL RULE 20 | BACKUP TRIALS

At the calendar call, the Judge will choose the trial to begin number 1 in each week of the trial week docket. If your case is not scheduled as number 1, your case is a back-up trial for the 3-week trial docket. Assistants should ask their attorney what week or weeks the judge scheduled your case for trial.

PLEASE BE ADVISED: The Civil Divisions have a NEW CASE MANAGER UNIT that is assisting with procuring judges to try the back-up cases. **Please do not ask what number your case is on the list,** because that does not matter, all cases that are on the backup list are on one hour notice, unless requested by the attorney at the calendar call that they require a specific amount of time to be notified. The judges who are helping with the pool of back-up cases will choose the Trial they want, depending on their availability. If your case is not reached it will be rescheduled for the next calendar call.

VERY IMPORTANT!! - If your case is sent to the Case Manager Unit as a Backup Trial, that means **NO PENDING MOTIONS, NO CONTINUANCES**. The case is READY TO PROCEED and you are on ONE HOUR NOTICE. If you need more time, be sure you notify the Judge at the calendar call, the Judicial Assistant will take notes. ALL MOTIONS NOT HEARD BEFORE CALENDAR CALL WILL BE DEEMED ABANDONED, OTHER THAN MOTION IN LIMINE, VII(c)(2).

