

# FAQs

(Frequently Asked Questions)

Q. Where is the courthouse?

A. The courthouse is located at 333 Lomas NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87102. It is on the north side of Lomas between Third Street and Fourth Street.

Q. Where is Judge Parker's courtroom?

A. Judge Parker's courtroom is located on the Fifth Floor, Cimarron Courtroom.

Q. Where is Judge Parker's chamber?

A. Judge Parker's chamber is located on the seventh floor, Suite 760. To go to his chambers, take the elevators to the seventh floor. You will have to use an intercom to ask someone to let you out of the elevator area. Once someone buzzes the door, cross to the other side of the floor. Judge Parker's chamber is at the northeast corner of the seventh floor.

Q. Where do I go for a pretrial conference?

A. Judge Parker holds pretrial conferences in either the Cimarron Courtroom on the fifth floor or in his chambers on the seventh floor. Please call Judge Parker's chambers the day before your scheduled pretrial conference and ask where the pretrial conference will be held.

Q. Who do I call about questions?

A. You can call Judge Parker's main chamber at 348-2220 and speak with the secretary about general questions. If you have questions about scheduling, how to file a motion, when to file a motion, or extensions to file a motion, you should call the courtroom deputy at 348-2230. It is usually unnecessary for you to speak with a law clerk.

Q. How does Judge Parker do jury instructions?

A. Please return to the main web page and look under criminal or civil for information on jury instructions.

Q. What happens at a pretrial conference?

A. Judge Parker will discuss the status of the case and whether it is ready for trial. He usually wants to know whether the parties have tried to settle the case. Please be prepared to discuss all pending motions in the case. Also be prepared to identify any potential disputes about exhibits or witnesses that Judge Parker can resolve at the conference. Pretrial conferences last anywhere from twelve minutes to two hours. Judge Parker occasionally holds pretrial conferences by phone if the parties are not in Albuquerque and there are no significant matters to be discussed.

Q. When are motions in limine due?

A. There is no set date for motions in limine. However, they should be submitted to the court at least several weeks before trial.

Q. When will my motion be decided?

A. Motions are addressed in the order that they are received. Approaching trial dates, and the Speedy Trial Act in criminal cases, sometimes require Judge Parker to address newer motions before older ones. Calling chambers to inquire about the status of your motion will not expedite the process. However, if you have a motion that really must be addressed quickly, you can file an "Expedited Motion" or an "Emergency Motion" with the court.

Q. What happens at the Call of the Calendar?

A. At the Call of the Calendar, all the parties who are scheduled for that month's trailing calendar report to Judge Parker's Cimarron courtroom. Judge Parker will ascertain how long each case will last, what motions are pending or will be filed before trial, whether the parties are ready to proceed to trial, if any party has a scheduling conflicts, what the possibility of settlement is, and whether there any anticipated problems that need to be resolved before commencement of trial. After hearing from counsel on the above matters, Judge Parker will announce the date each trial will commence.