# LLCRLJ 38(h)
## Civil Trial Confirmation

(a) A date and time for a trial confirmation hearing shall be assigned to each case at the time it is set for trial. Trial confirmation hearings shall be held each Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. for the trials set for the following Thursday or Friday. Trial confirmation hearings shall be held each Thursday at 2:00 p.m. for those trials set for the following Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday.

(b) It shall be the affirmative duty of all parties, and of their counsel, to advise the court at such hearing of their readiness to proceed to trial. Failure of a party to advise of the inability to proceed for any reason known on that date shall constitute a waiver of the right to request a continuance for that reason at a later date.

(c) The appearance of the litigants and of their counsel at trial confirmation hearings shall be mandatory unless a written confirmation of readiness on the form provided is filed with the court. Said confirmation form must be signed by a party or counsel not more than seven days prior to the hearing under penalty of perjury.

(d) Failure of any party to confirm in person or in writing will cause the trial date to be stricken. Civil litigants who fail to appear or confirm will be subject to such terms and costs as the Court determines to be reasonable.

(e) After confirmation, the failure of a party to appear at trial, or upon appearance, to be unable proceed with the trial, shall be treated as a motion for continuance, resulting in the dismissal of the jury panel, where applicable, and of the trial date. It may also constitute grounds for the dismissal of the charges and/or for the imposition of sanctions and terms against litigants and counsel.

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