COURTROOM RULES OF USE

The courtrooms are restricted to use for trial and appellate practice, or for special events as approved by the Dean’s office. By requesting access to one or more courtrooms, users agree to abide by the following rules.

1. Food and beverages are not permitted in the courtrooms. Water is permissible provided it is kept in a closed container that does not leave condensation on the table.

2. Do NOT remove the wooden chairs from the jury box! If you move other chairs while using the courtroom, return them to the original setup before leaving.

3. If you borrow chairs or other portable items (i.e., charts, lecterns, etc.) from another room, return them to that room before leaving. USE CAUTION when moving these items. Do not drag them across the floor or run into the walls/millwork because doing so will leave unsightly scratches and dents.

4. Discard of ALL garbage (including papers, folders, writing utensils, wrappers, etc.).

5. Removal and/or alteration of law school property, furnishings, or equipment (including counsel tables, benches, microphones, etc.) is strictly prohibited without the prior consent of the administration.

6. Do NOT attempt to move the podiums (they are purposefully attached to the floor). If you are planning a special event which requires relocation of a podium, please inform the Technology Office in advance of your event.

7. Absolutely NO smoking/tobacco use, alcoholic beverages, bicycles/mopeds, or animals/pets (except official service animals) are permitted at any time, in any area of the building.

8. Doors that are electronically locked may NOT be propped open or left ajar. Doing so sends an alarm to the FSU Police Department.

BOTTOM LINE: These courtrooms are designed for appellate and trial practice, and users of the courtrooms are expected to behave in a manner that is professional and respectful of the University property provided for such educational experiences. There is ample space throughout the rest of the law school campus for studying, meeting, eating, and/or socializing.

Failure to comply with the above rules will jeopardize your ability to reserve space at the law school in the future.