

STATEMENT OF POLICY REGARDING STATUS CONFERENCES FOR CRIMINAL JURY TRIALS IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT

A status conference is required for all criminal jury trials. The purpose of the status conference is to ensure the trial will proceed on the scheduled trial date and to determine whether any motions hearings need to be set prior to the trial date.

Procedure

The status conference is required to be conducted with the Circuit Court Administrator no later than 7 days prior to trial. The Circuit Court Administrator shall initiate the conference by email or by telephone. Counsel are expected to cooperate with the Circuit Court Administrator in conducting the conference.