

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Place 2

INFORMATION FOR "PRO SE" LITIGANTS in

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

1. A "Pro Se" litigant (plaintiff or defendant) is one who does not retain a lawyer and appears for himself in court.
2. You are prohibited from having any contact with the Judge hearing the case, unless all parties and their attorneys are present. This prohibited communication includes phone calls, letters, messages, faxes, e-mails, and direct or indirect conversations. Formal pleadings, motions and requests for relief, filed with the clerk of the court, are not considered prohibited communication.
3. For every pleading you file with the court, you must send a copy to the opposing party's attorney or the opposing party if they do not have an attorney.
4. For any Court Setting or Court Order that you obtain, you must give notice to the opposing party's attorney or the opposing party if they do not have an attorney. You must also file with the clerk of the court a copy of all such notices.
5. The Judge, court clerk, bailiff, or attorney for the opposing party cannot give you legal advice.
6. Violations of any of the above may result in severe sanctions against you.

The following associations may assist you in obtaining an attorney or legal advice:

- West Texas Legal Aid Services
- Wichita County Bar Association