

POLICY OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST APPELLATE DISTRICT,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA ON PUBLIC USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN THE
COURTROOM

The First District adopts the following policy, which allows for restricted public use of electronic devices in the courtroom during oral arguments before the court:

Only counsel and self-represented litigants may use laptop computers and electronic tablets in the courtroom. Such devices may be used only as an aid in presenting oral argument, and may not be used to display demonstrative evidence to the court or for any other purpose. Devices must be silenced and placed in “airplane mode” at all times. No cellular telephones or other electronic devices are permitted in the courtroom, except for assisted listening devices. No audio or video recording or photography is permitted in the courtroom, except in compliance with California Rules of Court, rule 1.150. Failure to comply with these restrictions may result in the violator being removed from the courtroom.

(Adopted effective March 16, 2015)