

CRIMINAL JURY ADMONITION

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Jury:

During the recess we are about to take, you are admonished that:

1. It is your duty not to discuss among yourselves or with anyone else any matter having to do with this case.
2. It is your further duty not to form or express any opinion regarding the guilt or innocence of the Defendant until the case has been finally submitted to you for decision.
3. You are not to read, view or listen to any report in the newspaper, radio, television or the Internet concerning this case, nor allow anyone to read or comment upon them to you or in your presence. This includes viewing any type of social media relating to this case.
4. You are not to investigate or attempt to obtain any additional information about this case outside of the courtroom. Do not visit the scene or attempt any investigation on your own. Do not read any legal text or book regarding any issue raised in court.
5. Should any person attempt to discuss the case with you or in any manner attempt to influence you with respect to it, you are to advise the Bailiff who will, in turn, advise the Court.

(After each recess, have counsel stipulate to the presence of the jury – including the alternates.)