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**U.S. District Court  
for the  
Northern District of Iowa**

**Donald E. O'Brien  
District Courtroom  
Sioux City, Iowa**

**The Honorable  
Leonard T. Strand  
District Court Judge  
United States District Court**

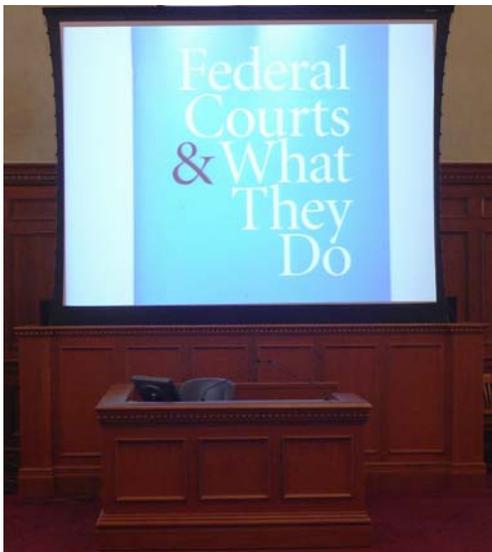


## Donald E. O'Brien District Courtroom Sioux City, Iowa

This brochure provides an overview of the components available in the Donald E. O'Brien courtroom.

For more information please visit [www.iand.uscourts.gov](http://www.iand.uscourts.gov). The equipment currently available includes:

- **WOLFVISION DOCUMENT CAMERA** enables counsel to present evidence to the judge and jury via courtroom monitors/projection screen. This evidence can be in any medium (documents, pictures, negatives, x-rays, 3D objects). The judge can turn off downstream monitors/screens to preview evidence before admittance for jury viewing.
- **PROJECTION SCREEN** is an 8' x 10' screen placed across from the jury enabling them to see all evidence presented via the document camera, laptop inputs, and video conference system. Images are displayed via a 6,500 lumens LCD projector.



- **FLAT PANEL MONITORS** are placed on the attorney tables, judge's bench, witness stand, presentation cart and clerks desk. These monitors are connected directly to the projection system.
- **ANNOTATION MONITORS** are housed on the witness stand and presentation cart enabling witnesses and counsel to draw, point, and highlight any exhibit being presented.
- **PRESENTATION CART** houses the following items:

### ADA Compliant Lectern

### Document Camera

### Annotation Monitor

**Laptop Inputs** (HDMI and VGA) can play audio and video in the courtroom via counsel's software such as Power Point or Trial Director.



- **REAL-TIME TRANSCRIPTION** viewing is provided via court-owned laptops. Arrangements can be made with the court reporter if copies of transcripts are needed.
- **WIRELESS MICROPHONES** provide voice amplification and counsel mobility.
- **WIRELESS HEADSETS** serve two purposes via dual channel transmissions. Headsets can amplify all courtroom speech and audio for the hearing impaired, or allow non-English speaking participants to hear live, in-room translation, of the court proceedings.

- **ATTORNEY "SMART TABLES"** contain access plates for real-time reporting, laptop audio and video connections, monitor displays, and power outlets. Defendants may also use headphones to listen to sidebar/bench conferences.



- **TELEPHONIC AND IN-COURTROOM INTERPRETER EQUIPMENT** is available to connect a interpreter to the defendant or witness in the courtroom.
- **VIDEO CONFERENCING** allows the flexibility to hold hearings and take witness testimony from other sites. Compatible sites exist across the county. As such, the court's video conferencing capability is nation wide.
- **DIGITAL PRESENTATION** is the best method to present DVD recorded evidence and Power-Point shows. Laptops offer great flexibility. Apple and Android devices can be used with adapter cables (not court supplied).

### VIDEO CONFERENCE REQUIREMENTS:

*Please contact the Judge's chambers at least two weeks prior to trial to get the Judge's approval. Once approved, complete an External End-Point Certification sheet so a connection test can be done prior to trial.*

### LAPTOP PRESENTATION REQUIREMENTS:

Judge's in the Iowa Northern District require that laptops, iPads, and Android devices be tested at least one week prior to trial by contacting a member of the Automation Staff. [iandml\\_IT\\_Staff@iand.uscourts.gov](mailto:iandml_IT_Staff@iand.uscourts.gov) Laptops are the most flexible method to present DVD recorded evidence and PowerPoint shows in the courtroom.