# What to Expect at Stark County Family Court

If you're involved in a hearing at Stark County Family Court, it's helpful to know what to expect so you can be prepared.



#### Getting ready for your visit

Dress respectfully for court, like you would for an important event, such as a job interview.

#### Finding the court

The court is located in the Stark County Office Building at 110 Central Plaza South, Canton, OH 44702.



There are plenty of parking lots and garages within walking distance, as well as metered parking.

#### Arriving at the court

You will be required to go through security metal detectors, so be careful about what you carry in your pockets. Then, take the elevator to the sixth floor. Turn right. Enter through the glass door and go past the sheriff's desk to the sign-in area.





## Do you need an attorney?

It is your choice to hire an attorney for court hearings. If you face possible detention time or loss of parental rights to the Child Protective Agency, the court can appoint an attorney based on your income.

## What to expect at the hearing

Cases are heard by judges and magistrates. Most often, there is no jury at Family Court, and the courtrooms look different than what you typically see on TV. You may not always receive the ruling, or judgement entry, at the hearing. In these cases, the ruling is mailed to all parties.

# Still have questions?

Find resources for legal assistance at StarkHelpCentral.com