

Rule 1303 Hearing. Notice.

(1) Scheduling of Hearing.

The Court Administrator shall fix the date, time and place of arbitration hearings, which shall be held within sixty (60) days after appointment of the Board of Arbitrators and shall be held at the Crawford County Courthouse.

(2) Notice.

Notice of the hearing shall be in writing and mailed to all unrepresented parties by certified mail, return receipt requested, and counsel for represented parties by regular mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date, all in accordance with Pa.R.C.P. 1303. Arbitrators shall be notified by regular mail or email.

(3) Continuances.

The Board of Arbitrators shall have the power to grant one continuance for good and sufficient reason before the hearing convenes and shall immediately reschedule the hearing for a time not more than thirty (30) days beyond the date set for the original hearing. A party requesting further continuances must file a motion with the Court in keeping with Cra.R.C.P. 208.3 governing motions practice.

(4) Compliance with Time Requirements.

The Court expects arbitrators and parties to comply with all time limits governing arbitration. Any arbitrator or party who believes the arbitrators or any other party are not following any time limits or time requirements governing arbitrations may file a motion with the Court for relief. The Court may sanction those who do not comply with the arbitration time requirements.