



Court Preparation Checklist

Confidence Is Earned in Preparation. Victory Favors the Prepared.



1. Know What's Ahead

Court is not chaos; it's choreography. Every hearing follows structure and rhythm — and those who understand it perform better.

At **Stowe Law Firm**, we prepare our clients long before they ever step into a courtroom. That preparation begins with knowing what to expect, what's required, and how to show up ready.



2. Present Yourself With Intention

What you wear and how you carry yourself speak before you do. Court is a professional environment where respect and composure go a long way.

- Dress simply and professionally — think neutral colors, clean lines, and polished shoes.
- Turn off your phone before entering the courtroom.
- Stay attentive when the judge or clerk speaks.

Preparation isn't just about paperwork; it's about presence.



3. Understand the Stakes

Every hearing is an opportunity — to advance your case, reduce your exposure, or earn credibility with the court. That's why we never walk into a hearing “just to see what happens.”

We walk in with a purpose, a plan, and a position that moves the case forward.



4. Bring the Right Documentation

The courtroom rewards the organized. Having your materials ready shows respect for the process and positions you for success.

Typical items may include:

- Your citation or charging document

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- Proof of completion for any assessments or classes
- Letters of employment, character, or community service
- Any correspondence from your attorney

When we represent you, our team handles these logistics — so you can focus on staying composed and informed.

5. Know When to Appear (and When You Don't Need To)

Not every hearing requires a personal appearance.

In many cases, **your attorney can appear on your behalf**, especially for traffic and most misdemeanor matters.

When presence is required, you'll know well in advance — and you'll know exactly what to expect. If you do not have an attorney you always need to appear.

Our firm believes clarity eliminates anxiety. We communicate before court, not after.

6. Control What You Can

Court outcomes aren't random; they're influenced by preparation, reputation, and restraint.

Be respectful, stay calm, and trust your representation. The courtroom notices discipline — and so do judges.

Preparation builds confidence. Confidence builds credibility. Credibility wins cases.

7. Trust the Process

You don't have to know every rule, statute, or procedure. You just need a team that does — one that treats every case with precision, strategy, and the discipline to execute under pressure.

That's what we do. Every hearing. Every client. Every time.

Final Word

Court isn't where we get ready — it's where preparation pays off.

From the way you dress to the way your attorney argues, **every detail matters**. At **Stowe Law Firm**, we make sure those details add up to one thing: confidence under pressure.

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