

Local Rule 7-5 - Oral Arguments and Hearings

(a) Request for Oral Argument. A party may request oral argument by filing a separate motion explaining why oral argument is necessary and estimating how long the court should allow for the argument. The request must be filed and served with the supporting brief, response brief, or reply brief.

(b) No Additional Evidence at Oral Argument. Parties may not present additional evidence at oral argument.

(c) Request for Evidentiary Hearing. A party may request an evidentiary hearing on a motion or petition by serving and filing a separate motion explaining why the hearing is necessary and estimating how long the court should allow for the hearing.

(d) Directed by the Court. The court may:

(1) grant or deny a request for oral argument or an evidentiary hearing in its sole discretion;

(2) set oral argument or an evidentiary hearing without a request from a party; and

(3) order any oral argument or evidentiary hearing to be held anywhere within the district regardless of where the case will be tried.