

## **TIP OF THE MONTH**

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Are you aware of all of the incredible resources available on the U.S. Court's website? One such resource is "Judges' Procedural Policies", found under the "Attorney Resources" menu. Here are a few of the topics you will find under this heading:

- Correspondence with the Court
- Communication with Clerks and Courtroom Deputies
- Hearings & Conferences, including setting & vacating hearings, locations (did you know that Judge Pappas doesn't generally allow contested evidentiary hearings in Twin Falls?), phone conferences, video hearings, oral arguments, and more.
- Motion Practice regarding motions for reconsideration, forms of orders and preparation of exhibits.
- Adversary Proceedings, including pretrial conferences, trial settings, discovery issues, briefs and preparation of exhibits.
- Jury Demand/Jury Trial.

Taking a very small amount of time to peruse this helpful site might save you a lot of inconvenience and potential embarrassment in the courtroom. It's interesting to see the differences in procedures between Judges Pappas and Myers; they are significant! While our Bankruptcy Court Clerks and staff are always ready and willing to help us, we can also help them by knowing what each of our judges expect and require. This is just one small aspect of the information available on the Court's website.