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Gay & Reitz, P.C. want you to feel comfortable about your experience with us. We have prepared some information that lets you know what to expect, how you can be prepared, and so on. Of course, if you have any questions that are not answered here, please feel free to ask any of our helpful, knowledgeable staff. We would be glad to help!

### What to Expect in Court:

First, be prepared to wait. Although you may have a scheduled time to appear, many things can happen that may move the time back, to later in the day. Most courts will be as helpful as they can in letting you know of any delays, but sometimes they simply are not able to say exactly when your appearance will take place.

Once you are called to appear, you will stand with your attorney at the front of the courtroom. The judge will explain what will happen to you, so that you understand. If you need to testify, your name will be called and you will be asked to confirm that you will tell the truth. This is a solemn oath, and while you are under oath, you must truthfully answer any questions they ask you.

Once everyone has had a chance to explain their side of the situation, the judge will make a decision. The judge may decide right then, or the judge may decide to think about it for a while and decide later.