

RULE 53 JURY TRIALS

53.1 INSTRUCTIONS

Proposed jury instructions shall be furnished by counsel to the Court on the first day of trial. The jury instructions given and refused shall be scanned by the clerk.

53.2 CLOSING ARGUMENTS

See Rule 21.3, Supra

53.3 COUNSEL/PARTY CONTACT WITH JURORS

(1) **Jury Lists.** The name of each petit juror selected in civil or criminal cases shall be typed and scanned in the case file as the jury list as required by Supreme Court Rule.

(2) **Petit Jurors.** Petit jurors shall not be required to provide any information concerning any action of the petit jury, unless ordered to do so by the Court. Attorneys and parties to an action shall not, directly or indirectly, communicate with any petit juror, except with leave of Court. If an attorney or party receives evidence of misconduct by a petit juror, the attorney or party shall inform the Court and the Court may conduct an investigation to establish the accuracy of the misconduct allegations.