

8.5 The day of the hearing

This section focuses on the procedures for the hearing of an application. However, much of the information also applies to the conduct of other types of hearings (directions hearings, preliminary hearings, interlocutory hearings). If you are unsure about any aspect of the conduct of a particular proceeding, talk to the member, an associate or a members' support team leader.

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8.5.2 Special requirements in a hearing

You need to be aware of any special requirements for the hearing so you can set up the hearing room appropriately and avoid delay. Check with registry regarding any local procedures that are in place.

Special requirements may be needed if:

- there are domestic violence orders or protection orders in place, or security issues have been raised;
- the hearing is to be held in private;
- a person is participating by telephone or video link;
- a party or witness is in detention or prison;
- a party wants to play an audio or video tape;
- a party needs to use a hearing loop;
- a party or witness requires an interpreter; or
- a party or a witness has a disability.

To find this information:

- look at the file;
- [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
- refer to your pre-hearing checklist report; and

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- talk to the member.

[REDACTED]

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- | Response | Percentage |
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| U.S. should take action against the Russian invasion of Ukraine | 85% |
| U.S. should not take action against the Russian invasion of Ukraine | 15% |

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- A horizontal bar chart titled "Percentage of respondents who believe the U.S. should take action to address climate change, broken down by age group." The y-axis lists age groups: 18-29, 30-49, 50-64, 65+, and "Total". The x-axis represents the percentage, ranging from 0 to 100. Each age group has a corresponding black bar. The bars for 18-29, 30-49, 50-64, and 65+ are all approximately 85% long. The bar for the "Total" group is approximately 88% long.
- | Age Group | Percentage |
|-----------|------------|
| 18-29 | 85% |
| 30-49 | 85% |
| 50-64 | 85% |
| 65+ | 85% |
| Total | 88% |

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8.5.4 Orientation for self-represented parties

For some self-represented parties, appearing before the AAT will be an unfamiliar and unsettling experience. To help them feel more at ease, it is important to explain the purpose of the hearing, the layout of the hearing room and what will happen during the hearing. A checklist of the information you should provide to a self-represented party is on the [intranet](#), under Checklists and Forms - Checklist.

Meet your unrepresented party 15 minutes before the hearing. You may not give legal advice or an opinion, or discuss the merits of their case.

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