

N.C.P.I.—CRIM. 100.15 INSTRUCTIONS RE CAMERAS AND MICROPHONES IN COURTROOM.

*NOTE WELL: For additional information regarding cameras and microphones in the courtroom see Chapter 22 of the North Carolina Trial Judges Bench Book as well as Rule 15 of the General Rules of Practice for the Superior and District Courts.*

Before I speak to you concerning jury selection, I wish to mention the matter of possible news media coverage of this trial.

You may have noticed T.V. or camera equipment in the courthouse. Media coverage of jurors is expressly prohibited at any portion of the proceeding, including that portion in which a jury is selected. The cameramen and the photographers are not permitted to take pictures of you.

Therefore, you should not even consider whether this trial, or a portion of it, will be covered by the media by any of the means I have mentioned. It will not affect you personally, or the trial, so I urge you to put that matter out of your mind.

