Rule 7. Time of Sessions, Office Hours, and Trials

- (a) Sessions. The Landlord and Tenant Branch shall hold sessions every business day except as determined by the Chief Judge.
- (b) Office hours. The Office of the Clerk of this Branch shall be open for the transaction of business as determined by the Chief Judge.
- (c) *Initial hearing*. All cases shall be set for initial hearing on the date and time specified in the summons, provided that any party may appear at any session prior to such date and request that the Court order the initial hearing date continued. Prior to seeking such continuance, the movant shall be required to notify the non-moving party.
- (d) Non-jury trials. Cases shall be set for trial by the Court or by consent of the parties after consultation with the Clerk about available trial dates.