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THE STATE OF TEXAS

VS.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT

\_\_\_\_\_ JUDICIAL DISTRICT

COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS

### **TRIAL COURT'S FINDINGS ON ATTORNEY'S REQUEST FOR COMPENSATION**

On this day, the Court considered court-appointed counsel's request for compensation in the above styled and numbered case. The Court finds that the requested amount of payment by \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is not reasonable and and necessary and is therefore disapproved for the following reason(s).

- ☐ The requested fees are based on a fixed rate which exceeds the Schedule of Fees for Compensation of Appointed Counsel.
- ☐ The requested fees are based on a fixed rate and include a request for discretionary adjustment not supported by written documentation.
- ☐ The requested fees are based on an hourly rate not supported by an itemized statement adequately describing each individual task, the time expended, and the date each task was performed.
- ☐ The requested fees are based on an hourly rate and the itemized statement duplicates time, and/or fails to segregate time into 0.1 hour increments.
- ☐ The requested fees are based on hourly rate which exceeds the rate established by Schedule of Fees for Compensation of Appointed Counsel.
- ☐ The request is for partial payment (i.e., the case is not disposed).
- ☐ The request is for services rendered by second-chair counsel not authorized or appointed by the presiding judge.
- ☐ The request includes normal overhead costs, and there is insufficient justification that the costs incurred should be excepted.

- ☐ The request includes normal customary costs of law practice, and there is insufficient justification that the costs incurred should be excepted.
- ☐ The request includes claims for paralegal or other non-reimbursable professional services.
- ☐ The request includes claims for investigative or expert services which exceed the amount authorized by the presiding judge.
- ☐ The nature and length of the professional relationship with the client does not justify the requested fee.
- ☐ The request is not timely.
- ☐ The request includes unauthorized expenses:

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- ☐ The request is not supported for the following reasons:

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- ☐ Other:

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The Court finds that an attorney's fee in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ should be paid to said attorney as fair and just compensation for the attorney's fee in the case.

**SIGNED** the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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**JUDGE PRESIDING**