**SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR ATTORNEYS**

**APPOINTED TO REPRESENT INDIGENT DEFENDANTS AND JUVENILES**

On the 16th day of February, 2023, the below named County and District Judges with criminal jurisdiction, also constituting the Gray County Juvenile Board, did unanimously adopt this schedule of fees concerning compensation of court-appointed attorneys for indigent defendants and juveniles and related expenses made pursuant to Article 26.05, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, that is, compensation of court-appointed attorneys and related expenses made pursuant to a motion or attorney fee voucher in the format prescribed by the undersigned Judges shall be as follows:

1. **SCHEDULE OF FEES**
2. Non-Jury Trials and Hearings:

$500.00 Misdemeanor Pleas

$300.00 Misdemeanor Revocation of Probation

$250.00 Misdemeanor Dismissals

$150.00 Juvenile Detention Hearings

$400.00 Juvenile Pleas Non-TJJD

$300.00 Juvenile Non-TJJD Modifications

$500.00 Juvenile TJJD Pleas and Modifications

$850.00 Felony Pleas

$625.00 Felony Revocation of Probation/Adjudications of Guilt

$350.00 Felony Dismissals

$200.00 Each Additional Count/Indictment

Multiple Counts/Indictments arising out of same transaction

1. Jury Trials, Unusual Cases, Appeals:

Maximum hourly rate (except for unusual cases or appeals with approval of fee by the Judge presiding): $125.00 per hour with maximum daily rate of $850.00.

1. Reimbursement for Reasonable Expenses:

Reasonable trial, appeal, and other actual expenses supported by documentation may be submitted for approval by the Judge presiding. The fees listed above should be considered as including routine expenses incurred such as copies, postage, telephone and fax charges, etc. Meals and lodging are generally not reimbursable **unless advance approval is received** from the Judge presiding. Mileage may be reimbursable if in excess of 50 miles one-way (not round trip) in amount equal to Gray County’s current allowable “per mile rate”.

Extraordinary expenses (for example, investigation, expert testimony, etc.) must be pre-approved by the Judge presiding.

**II.**

**REASONABLE EXPENSES FOR PURPOSES**

**OF INVESTIGATION AND EXPERT TESTIMONY**

1. In misdemeanor and non-capital felony criminal cases, appointed counsel will be reimbursed for reasonable expenses that are incurred in an amount in the discretion of the Judge presiding only if approval of the Judge presiding is obtained. Such expenses may include fees incurred or expected to be incurred for investigator(s) and expert testimony and will be in addition to the total compensation referred to in Section I of this Order.

**III.**

**REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES AND EXPENSES**

Each attorney shall prepare a detailed statement of the nature of the services performed,

the date of such performance, and the actual time spent on each such date and service, and shall submit such statement as follows:

1. On the date of disposition of a case by a plea or bench trial; or
2. Within 15 days of the date of verdict in a jury trial; or
3. Within 15 days of the date of the mandate being returned in an appeal.

Statements/bills/invoices for indigent attorney’s fees not timely filed will be considered

waived and the services performed PRO BONO. Such request for attorney’s fees will not be paid.

If the Presiding Judge disapproves the requested amount, the Judge shall make written

findings stating the amount approved and the reasons for approving an amount different from the requested amount. The attorney whose request for payment has been disapproved may, by written motion, file an appeal with the Presiding Judge of the Ninth Administrative Judicial Region.

THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE THE 16th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023. THIS ORDER

SUPERCEDES ANY AND ALL PRIOR STANDING ORDERS FOR ATTORNEYS FEES AND OTHER EXPENSE COMPENSATION.

Signed: February 16, 2023.

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HONORABLE PHIL N. VANDERPOOL HONORABLE STEVEN R. EMMERT

223rd Judicial District Judge 31st Judicial District Judge

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HONORABLE CHRIS PORTER

Gray County Judge