

SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR ATTORNEYS

APPOINTED TO REPRESENT INDIGENT DEFENDANTS AND JUVENILES

On the 31st day of October, 2019, 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:

I. SCHEDULE OF FEES

A. Non-Jury Trials and Hearings:

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| \$350.00 | Misdemeanor Pleas |
| \$250.00 | Misdemeanor Revocation of Probation |
| \$150.00 | Misdemeanor Dismissals |
| \$150.00 | Juvenile Detention Hearings |
| \$350.00 | Juvenile Pleas |
| \$250.00 | Juvenile Non-TJJD Modifications |
| \$350.00 | Juvenile TJJD Modifications |
| \$750.00 | Felony Pleas |
| \$500.00 | Felony Revocation of Probation |
| \$350.00 | Felony Dismissals |
| \$200.00 | Each Additional Count/Indictment Multiple Counts/Indictments arising out of same transaction |

B. Jury Trials, Unusual Cases, Appeals:

Maximum hourly rate (except for unusual cases or appeals with advance approval of estimated fee by the Presiding Judge): \$125.00 per hour with maximum daily rate of \$750.00.

C. Reimbursement for Reasonable Expenses:

Reasonable trial, appeal, and other actual expenses supported by documentation may be submitted for approval by the Presiding Judge. 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 Presiding Judge. Mileage may be reimbursable if in excess of 60 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 Presiding Judge.

II.

**REASONABLE EXPENSES FOR PURPOSES
OF INVESTIGATION AND EXPERT TESTIMONY**

- A. 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 Presiding Judge only if prior approval of the Presiding Judge 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:

- A. On the date of disposition of a case by a plea or bench trial; or
- B. Within 15 days of the date of verdict in a jury trial; or
- C. 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 31st DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019. THIS ORDER SUPERCEDES ANY AND ALL PRIOR STANDING ORDERS FOR ATTORNEYS FEES AND OTHER EXPENSE COMPENSATION.

Signed: October 31, 2019.

/s/ _____
HONORABLE PHIL N. VANDERPOOL
223rd Judicial District Judge

/s/ _____
HONORABLE STEVEN R. EMMERT
31st Judicial District Judge

/s/ _____
HONORABLE CHRIS PORTER
Gray County Judge