4th DISTRICT COURT OF RUSK COUNTY FELONY FEE SCHEDULE

A. Guilty Plea/Dismissal \$350 - \$500 per case/Payment for additional cases will be determined on a case by case basis.

The Court retains discretion to pay additional amounts based on time, travel, preparation of briefs, motions, orders and other documents, expenses, language qualifications, and difficulty of case or any other factors the Court determines should be considered.

Court may also pay on hourly basis for pleas in which Court determines attorney has excessive hours in preparing for trial that ultimately resulted in a plea.

B. Revocation \$350 - \$500 per case/ Payment for additional cases will be determined on a case by case basis.

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C. Trials

1. Out of Court time: \$60 per hour

2. In Court: \$50 - \$80 per hour

3. Appellate Attorney \$1,000 - \$1,750

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- D. Capital Cases in which Death Penalty sought
 - 1. Lead Counsel

i. Out of Court: \$75 - \$85 per hour

ii. In Court: \$85 - \$125 per hour

- 2. Second Chair
 - i. Out of Court: \$65 \$75 per hour
 - ii. In Court: \$75 \$85 per hour
- 3. Appellate Attorney\$100 per hour not to exceed \$15,000
- E. Expenses for Investigation and Expert Testimony

In all cases, appointed counsel will be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred upon motion and application. Prior court approval should be obtained before expenses are incurred. Reasonable and necessary expenses will be paid.

REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND EXPENSES

Request for payment of fees and/or expenses shall be submitted to the Court on the prescribed Attorney Fee Voucher. The voucher shall be submitted to the Court on the date of disposition of a case by plea or bench trial, within fifteen days of the date of verdict in a jury trial, or within fifteen days of the date the mandate is returned on appeal. Request for payment of fees and/or expenses submitted to the Court after the dates listed above shall not be paid unless good cause is shown. Fees and/or expenses shall be paid only upon the termination of court appointed counsel's representation.

When the trial judge disapproves the amounts requested under an Attorney Fee Voucher, court appointed counsel and the Trial Court shall follow Section 25.0(c), Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.

Honorable J. Clay Gossett, Judge 4th Judicial District Court