**\*RECOMMENDED MINIMUM BAIL BOND AMOUNTS**

Misdemeanor - Class B $ 500 Minimum

Misdemeanor – Class A $ 750 Minimum

Domestic Violence $ 2,500 Minimum

State Jail Felony $ 1,500 Minimum

Third Degree Felony (except Felony DWI) $ 2,500 Minimum

Third Degree Felony $ 5,000 Minimum

Second Degree Felony $ 10,000 Minimum

First Degree Felony $ 25,000 Minimum

Capital Murder \*Bond to be set in an amount determined by a District Judge.

\*The magistrate or Judge must make a judicial determination in each case to

set the amount of bail as is appropriate either above, below, or the same as the

Recommended Bail Bond Amounts considering but not limited to the following:

1. Vernon’s Ann. C.C.P., Art. 17.15, Rules for Fixing Amount of Bail.

The amount of bail and any conditions of bail to be required in any case is to be regulated

by the court, Judge, magistrate or officer taking the bail. They

are to be governed in the exercise of this discretion by the

Constitution and by the following rules:

1. The bail and any conditions shall be sufficiently high to give reasonable

assurance that the undertaking will be complied with.

1. The power to require bail is not to be so used as to make

bail an instrument of oppression.

1. The nature of the offense and the circumstances under

which it was committed are to be considered.

1. The ability to make bail is to be considered, and proof

May be taken upon this point.

1. The future safety of a victim of the alleged offense, law enforcement, and

the community shall be considered.

1. The Defendant’s work record.
2. The Defendant’s family and community ties.
3. The Defendant’s length of residency and citizenship.
4. The Defendant’s prior criminal record, if any.
5. The Defendant’s conformity with the conditions if any previous bond.
6. The existence of outstanding bonds, if any.
7. Aggravating circumstances alleged to have been involved in the charged offense.
8. Gravity of the crime and severity of penalty including whether or not it is

an offense included in Vernon’s Ann. C.C.P. Art. 42.12 (3) (g).

1. Information obtained through the department of public safety and through the public safety report system, including any history of family violence.

**RECOMMENDED BAIL BOND CONDITIONS**

The magistrate or judge setting the bail bond amount may include but is not limited

To setting the following bail bond conditions:

1. On all second (2nd) offense misdemeanor DWI’s and felony DWI’s – order as term

and condition of bond an interlock on Defendant’s vehicle within seven (7) days

of release from jail.

1. On all drug offenses – order as term and condition of bond to (1) abstain from using

drugs or alcohol and (2) report to Adult Probation Office every week for drug and alcohol

testing to ensure they are not using drugs or alcohol, to begin the week they are released

from jail.

1. Sexual offenses against a child – order as term and condition of bond that he/she will have

no contact with any child under 17 years of age.