### ATTORNEY FEE SCHEDULE

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Total compensation for appointed counsel services in the below listed misdemeanor, felony, and juvenile cases shall not exceed the following, unless the Court, in its discretion, deems it just and necessary to award a greater sum than the following deemed minimums:

	Guilty Plea - Misdemeanor	\$ 250.00
	Guilty Plea- Misdemeanor Multiple Cases	\$ 350.00
	Guilty Plea - State Jail Felony	\$ 400.00
	Guilty Plea - 3rd Degree Felony	\$ 400.00
	Guilty Plea - 2"d Degree Felony	\$ 400.00
	Guilty Plea - sl tDegree Felony	\$ 400.00
55	Guilty Plea - Multiple Case	\$ 500.00
	Dismissal of Filed Case	\$ 400.00
	Indictment Quashed	\$ 250.00
	Revocation of Probation	\$ 350.00
	Revocation or Adjudication Multiple Cases	\$ 500.00
	Pre-trial representation where case never filed	\$ 150.00

# A. NON-FELONY CASES ("Not guilty" or "Not true" pleas) (Including Juvenile Cases Based on Charges of Misdemeanor Based Laws and Misdemeanor Appellate Work)

1. Compensation for time spent by counsel out of court shall not be less than FIFTY DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$50.00) per hour nor more than SIXTY DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$60.00) per hour.

2. Compensation for time spent in court shall not be less than SIXTY DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$60.00) per hour nor more than SEVENTY DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$70.00) per hour.

# B. FELONY CASES ("Not guilty" or "Not true" pleas) (Including Juvenile Cases Based on Charges of Felony Grade Laws and Felony Appellate Work)

- 1. Compensation for time spent by counsel out of court shall not be less than ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$100.00) per hour nor more than ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$100.00) per hour.
- 2. Compensation for time spent in court shall not be less than ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$100.00) per hour nor more than ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$100.00) per hour.

### C. CAPITAL CASE COMPENSATION

- 1. In a capital case, in which the state seeks the death penalty, the rates for the lead attorney's services (first chair) shall be double the hourly rate provided above for non-capital felony attorney's fees. Total compensation for pre-trial, trial, and post-trial services in a capital (death sought) jury trial shall not exceed FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$40,000.00), unless otherwise authorized by the District Court.
- 2. Any co-counsel (second or third chair) appointed by the Court shall be paid at the same rate

as for non-capital felony cases under this order. Total compensation to co-counsel for pre-trial, trial, and post-trial services in a capital (death sought) jury trial shall not exceed TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00), unless otherwise authorized by the District Court.

3. In capital cases, in which the state seeks the death penalty, the rates for appeal attorney services shall be double the hourly rate provided above for non-capital felony attorney's fees and shall not exceed TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00), unless otherwise authorized by the District Court.

### D. REIMBURSEMENT FOR REASONABLE EXPENSES FOR PURPOSES OF INVESTIGATION AND EXPERT TESTIMONY

- In misdemeanor criminal cases appointed counsel will be reimbursed for reasonable expenses that are incurred, provided prior court approval has been granted upon motion, application and a hearing held on said motion. Reasonable expenses upon prior court approval after motion and application may include expenses incurred for investigation and expert testimony, and will be in addition to the total compensation otherwise provided in the fee schedule. Generally, fees shall not exceed TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00) in total investigator fees and THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00) in total expert fees, subject to the courts discretion to approve a greater sum if deemed necessary by the court.
- 2. In capital and non-capital felony criminal cases appointed counsel will be reimbursed for reasonable expenses that are incurred, provided prior court approval has been granted upon motion, application and a hearing held on said motion. Reasonable expenses upon prior court

approval and after motion and application may include expenses incurred or expected to be incurred for investigation and expert testimony, and will be in addition to the total compensation otherwise provided in the fee schedule. Generally, said fees shall not exceed FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) in total investigator fees and FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) in total expert fees, subject to the courts discretion to approve a greater sum if deemed necessary by the court.

3. In capital felony criminal cases appointed counsel will be reimbursed for reasonable expenses that are incurred, provided prior court approval has been granted upon motion, application and a hearing held on said motion. Reasonable expenses upon prior court approval and after motion and application may include expenses incurred or expected to be incurred for investigation and expert testimony, and will be in addition to the total compensation referred to in the fee schedule. Generally, said fees shall not exceed TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00) in total investigator fees and TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00) in total expert fees, subject to the courts discretion to approve a greater sum if deemed necessary by the court.

The foregoing ATTORNEY FEE SCHEDULE establishing Attorney's fees and expenses for representation of Indigent Defendants in Titus County, Texas is adopted by the undersigned Judges of the County and District Courts to be effective November 1, 2023.

Angela Saucier, District Judge 76<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court

Administrative Judge for the 76<sup>th</sup>/276<sup>th</sup> District Courts

Michael Kopech, District Judge 276th Judicial District Court

Kent Cooper, County Judge

Titus County, Texas