

TRAVIS COUNTY FEE GUIDELINES
FOR APPOINTED COUNSEL IN FELONY CRIMINAL CASES

EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2016 FOR SERVICES RENDERED ON OR AFTER THAT DATE

Pursuant to C.C.P. Art. 26.05, the following guidelines shall be used to claim attorney's fees for appointed counsel in criminal cases.

FIXED RATES

These fees will be the standard compensation for the following services:

Jail Release Work	\$125
Attorney Released	\$100
Discovery and Dismissal ¹	\$600
Plea and Sentence ¹	\$600
Non-evidentiary Pre-Trial (necessary motions)	\$100
Probation Revocation (non-contested)	\$300
Writ Hearings	\$250
Appeals	
- Ander's Briefs, Motions to Revoke or Adjudicate	\$1,000
- 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd Degree & State Jail Felonies	\$2,000
- Oral Arguments on Appeal	\$200
Uncontested Competency	\$100
Restoration Hearing	\$250

¹ \$100 for each additional case

DAILY RATES

Daily rates are premised on a minimum of six hours spent in court. Half day rates are premised on hearings less than 4 hours. If less time is spent the fee will be reduced. The Daily Rate fee includes compensation for preparation time.

Evidentiary Pre-trial	\$500
Evidentiary Pre-trial (less than half-day)	\$250
Non-jury Trial	\$850
Non-jury Trial (less than half-day)	\$500
Jury Trial	\$1,100

HOURLY RATES

Attorneys must have approval of the Court *in capital cases* or approval of the Capital Area Private Defender Service as the Program Administrator for all other cases in writing at the conclusion of the pretrial hearings if a claim is to be based on an hourly rate. If such approval is not obtained in advance an hourly rate shall not be paid.

Appointed counsel will be compensated for time actually required by an appointment at an hourly rate of \$60 to \$100. The exact rate will be dependent upon the complexity of the case and the experience and ability of the appointed counsel. Claims for payment should reflect time expended to the nearest 1/10th of an hour.

If an hourly rate is approved, an itemized statement reflecting the date, service performed, and time expended, must be submitted with the request for payment form.

EXPENSES

Court appointed counsel will be compensated for all necessary expenses: i.e., collect or long distance phone calls, copying expenses, auto mileage (at IRS rate). All major expenses, such as investigators or expert witnesses, will require written approval by the Program Administrator prior to the expense being incurred.


REQUESTS FOR PAYMENTS

Request-for-payment forms shall be submitted at the time the case is disposed of except for trials. Requests for payment after trials should be submitted within 30 days of the conclusion of the case. Failure to comply may result in suspension from the court appointment list. If a case is disposed of prior to indictment or is a writ matter, the request-for-payment form should be submitted to the Program Administrator. Payment for all of a defendant's cases should be requested on one form. Payments for expenses such as investigators and expert witnesses should be requested on a separate form.

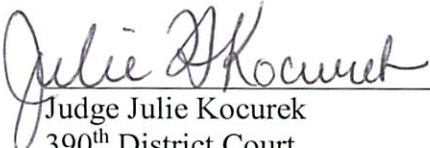
CAVEAT

In an unusual case, taking into account the considerations set forth in Texas Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 1.04(b) the Program Administrator may authorize a fee that is less than or more than the one established by these guidelines.


Approved and Ordered this 31 day of October, 2016




Judge Clifford Brown
147th District Court




Judge Julie Kocurek
390th District Court



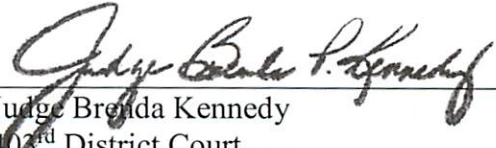
Judge Karen Sage
299th District Court



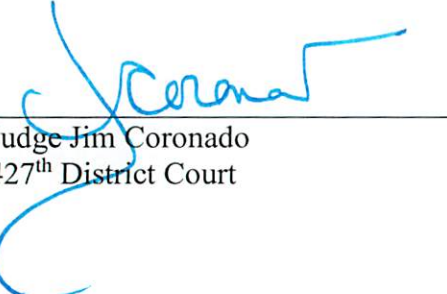
Judge David Wahlberg
167th District Court




Judge David Crain
331st District Court



Judge Brenda Kennedy
403rd District Court



Judge Jim Coronado
427th District Court



Judge Don Clemmer
450th District Court