

COURT APPOINTED SET FEE SCHEDULES

The goal of the following set fee schedules (**effective for appointments on and after November 1, 2023**) is to assure quality representations for indigent persons charged with a Class A & B misdemeanor and with felony crimes in Val Verde County, Texas.

Each judge of their respective Court reserves the right to deviate from these guidelines in particular cases where the amount or quality of work performed is substantially above or below the norm.

Court appointed attorneys remain attorneys of record until final disposition of their cases unless a motion to withdraw or to substitute counsel is granted. Court appointed counsel will be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred, including expenses for investigation, mental health and other experts. Whenever possible, prior Court approval should be obtained before expenses are incurred.

Request for Payments

Request for payment and Attorney Fee Vouchers shall be submitted at the time the case is disposed of, except for those cases disposed of by trial. Those cases disposed by trial, all requests for payment, attorney fee vouchers, and all necessary expenses for investigators and expert witnesses shall be submitted within (3) working days of the conclusion of the case. Failure to submit vouchers in a timely manner may result in non-payment.

63rd and 83rd JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURTS
November 1, 2023 -to October 31, 2025 Set Fee Schedule
Effective November 1, 2023
Val Verde County and Terrell County

Court appointed Counsel substituted in by private/retained Counsel per Defendant: \$200.00

Dismissal of Case (before indictment or by agreement) per criminal transaction:

State Jail Felony and 3rd Degree Felony: \$700.00

2nd Degree Felony and 1st Degree Felony: \$850.00

Pretrial Diversion \$500.00

Plea & Sentencing:

State Jail and Third-Degree Felony (1 defendant/1case) \$700.00 per case

Second Degree and First-Degree Felony (1 defendant/1case) \$850.00 per case

*Same defendant and *per additional case disposed of* (by dismissal, Or pursuant to 12.45 Penal Code of unadjudicated cases, or agreement not to prosecute arrested offenses not indicted/filed). \$200.00 per additional case

Competency Matter:

Uncontested \$300.00 per case

Contested (actual trial) \$750.00 per case

Evidentiary Pre-trial Hearing (with witnesses) \$400.00 per case

Writ/Bond hearing (with witnesses) \$400.00 per case

Writ/Bond (without hearing) \$200.00 per case

Motion to release because of delay or Agreed Motion to Release: (includes hearing) \$300.00 per case
(Art. 17.151 Code Criminal Procedure)

Extradition Hearings \$400.00 per case

Bench Trial before the Court:

State Jail and Third-Degree Felony \$800.00 per day
\$400.00 per half day
No more than \$2,500.00 per case

Second -Degree and First-Degree Felony \$800.00 per day
\$400.00 per half day

No more than \$3,000.00 per 2nd Degree case
\$3,500.00 per 1st Degree case

Jury Trial:

State Jail and Third-Degree Felony \$1,250.00 per day
\$ 625.00 per half day
No more than \$5,000.00 per case

Second Degree and First-Degree Felony \$1,500.00 per day
\$ 750.00 per half day

No more than \$6,500.00 per 2nd Degree case
\$9,000.00 per 1st Degree case

Revocation of Probation and Adjudication of Guilt

Plea/Modification \$500.00 per case
Hearing \$600.00 per case
Dismissal by Agreement \$400.00 per case
Appeals \$4,000.00 per case

Writ Habeas Corpus Article 11.07 \$2,000.00 per case
Code Criminal Procedure

1st Chair -Capital Felony Death Penalty not sought \$125.00 per hour
2nd Chair- Capital Felony Death Penalty not sought \$100.00 per hour

Exceptions

In an unusual case, the factors set forth in Rule 1.04(b) of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct may be taken into consideration in awarding a fee that is less than or more than the one established by the guidelines above.

Approved:

Honorable Robert E. Cadena, 83rd Judicial District Court Judge

Honorable Roland Andrade, 63rd Judicial District Court Judge