

SCHEDULE OF FEES

The following schedule of fees for court appointed counsel representing civil litigants and criminal defendants in Hill County Courts shall be effective June 1, 2022, to-wit

A. **FIXED RATE:**

1. For the prosecution to a final conclusion of a bona fide appeal to a Court of Appeals, or to the Court of Criminal Appeals if made directly from the trial court, a reasonable fee, but in no event less than \$350.00.
2. For a habeas corpus proceeding, a reasonable fee, but in no event less than \$100.00
3. For the prosecution to a final conclusion of a bona fide appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeals in a case where the death penalty has been assessed, a reasonable fee, but in no event less than \$1000.00.

B. **HOURLY RATE:**

1. For reasonable and necessary time spent by the attorney out of court on a case, the hourly rate of no less than \$100.00 per hour, with a maximum of 10 out of court hours unless additional hours are approved in advance by the Court.
2. The attorney shall keep an accurate account of his/her time spent, subject matter of the time expenditure, dates involved, necessity for expenditure of time, and be prepared to furnish reasonable documentation thereof if requested by the Court.

C. **DAILY RATE:**

1. For each day in Court representing the litigant or defendant in a **non-jury** proceeding a reasonable fee, but in no event less than \$100.00 per day.
2. For each day in Court representing the litigant or defendant in a **non-capital jury** proceeding a reasonable fee, but in no event less than \$500.00 per day.
3. For each day in Court representing the defendant in a capital case prior to jury proceeding a reasonable fee, but in no event less than \$250.00 per day.
4. For each day in Court representing the defendant in a capital case before a jury a reasonable fee, but in no event less than \$500.00 per day.
5. An attorney may not receive more than four (4) DAILY RATE fees under this section for each day in each court, regardless of the number of cases in which he appears as appointed counsel on the same day in each particular court. An attorney may, effective June 1, 2022, claim up to four daily rate fees regardless of which court or courts, before which the attorney appears, to-wit: if the attorney appears on a court appointed case before the county, county court-at-law and district court, on the same date he or she would be eligible to claim up to four (4) days in court. In lieu of the DAILY RATE, an attorney may elect to charge up to four (4) in-court hours at \$100.00 per hour. In no event may an attorney charge more than \$400 per day in DAILY RATE fees or more than \$400 per day of in-court hourly fees. An attorney may not charge both a DAILY RATE and an in-court hourly rate on the same day.

Signed this 16th day of May, 2022


District Judge, Lee Harris


County Court at Law Judge, Matt Crain

HILL COUNTY, TEXAS ATTORNEY FEE VOUCHER

1. Jurisdiction <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> County Court at Law	2. County HILL	3. Cause Number _____ _____ _____	Offense _____ _____ _____	4. Proceedings <input type="checkbox"/> Trial-Jury <input type="checkbox"/> Trial-Court <input type="checkbox"/> Plea-Open <input type="checkbox"/> Plea-Bargain <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
5. In the case of: State of Texas v					
6. Case Level <input type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Case <input type="checkbox"/> Revocation – Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Revocation – Misdemeanor <input type="checkbox"/> No Charges Filed <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____					
7. Attorney (Full Name)		9. Attorney Address (Include Law Firm Name if Applicable)		10. Telephone	
8. State Bar Number	8a. Tax ID Number			11. Fax	
12. Flat Fee – Court Appointed Services				12a. Total Flat Fee \$	
13.	In Court Services		Hours	Dates	13a. Total In Court Compensation. \$
	**Rate per Date = \$100.00 NON JURY	Total Days			
14.	Out of Court Services		Hours	Dates	14a. Total Out of Court Compensation. \$
	**Rate per Hour = \$100.00*	Total hours			
15.	Investigator (Pre-encumbrance procedures followed)			Amount	15a. Total Investigator Expenses \$
16.	Expert Witness (Pre-encumbrance procedures followed)			Amount	16a. Total Expert Witness Expenses \$
17.	Other Litigation Expenses (Pre-encumbrance procedures followed)			Amount	17a. Total Other Litigation Expenses \$
18. Time Period of service Rendered: From _____ to _____ <div style="text-align: center;">Date Date</div>					
19. Additional Comments * pre-encumbrance procedures followed ** subject to variance per Hill County plan.					20. Total Compensation and Expenses Claimed
21. Attorney Certification – I, the undersigned attorney, certify that the above information is true and correct and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. The compensation and expenses claimed were reasonable and necessary to provide effective assistance of counsel.					
_____ Signature				_____ Date	
22. SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING JUDGE:					Amount Approved:
Reason(s) for Denial or Variation					