



**COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION**

COURT ORDER NUMBER _____

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DATE: 1/28/2025

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF EXCEPTIONS TO FEE SCHEDULE FOR COURT INTERPRETERS

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider exceptions to Tarrant County’s fee schedule for interpreters appointed by Criminal Courts.

BACKGROUND

On December 8, 1988, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #79732, established an amount of \$50.00 per hour for court interpreters. On November 17, 2020, through Court Order #134246, the hourly rate for court interpreters was increased to \$100.00 per hour.

One or more criminal court(s) required interpreter service exceeding the limit set by this Court Order.

1. Sonia Couillard
 - A. Re: Case 1807366 Sergio Ariasnegron (Spanish)
\$100 per hour – 8 hour cancelation fee charged (12/03/2024)
Honorable Elizabeth Beach, Criminal District Court #1
 - B. Re: Case 1798145 Juan Luis Ramirez (Spanish)
\$100 per hour – 8 hour cancelation fee charged (11/22/2024)
Honorable David Hagerman, 297st District Court
2. Juanita M. Dunlap
Re: Case 1832674 Jose Romero Balderas (Spanish)
\$95 per hour – 2 hours minimum charged (07/29/2024 and 07/31/2024)
Honorable George Gallagher, 396st District Court
3. United Interpretation and Translation Services
Re: Case 1830586 Steven Clark (Spanish)
\$100 per hour – 2 hours minimum charged (12/19/2024)
Honorable Brian Bolton, County Criminal Court #9

FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no additional fiscal impact. Budgeted funds are available in the department’s budget.

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