



# COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE: 09/04/2024

## SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF EXCEPTIONS TO FEE SCHEDULE FOR COURT INTERPRETERS

### \*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\*

#### COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve 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. Guillermo Galindo  
Re: Case 1754450 Jahye Akhil (Spanish)  
\$100 per hour – 2 hours minimum charged (08/02/2024)  
Honorable Steve Jumes, 485th District Court
2. Silvergate Translations  
Re: Case 1828896 Bir Singh (Punjabi)  
\$180 per hour – 1 actual hour billed (8/1/2024)  
Honorable Julie Lugo, 372nd District Court
3. The Spoken Word  
Re: Case 1790158 Jose Manuel Campos Contreras (Spanish)  
\$100 per hour – 2 hours minimum charged (07/18/2024)  
Honorable Ruben Gonzalez, 432nd District Court
4. Sonia Couillard  
Re: Case 1747600 Juan Carlos Gonzalez Quilles (Spanish)  
\$95 per hour – 25 actual hours charged (7/8/24, 7/11/2024, 2/12/2024)  
\$95 per hour – 8 hour cancelation (2/15/2024)  
Honorable David Hagerman, 297th District Court

#### FISCAL IMPACT

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

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