



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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**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. Interpreter fees incurred prior to November 17, 2020, will adhere to the \$50.00 per hour rate.

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

1. Juliana Ipock Interpretation & Translation Service
Re: Case No. 1649897 Alvaro Ruiz (Spanish)
\$95.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (10/12/2023)
Honorable Wayne Salvant, Criminal District Court 2
2. Sonia Couillard
Re: Case 1736912 Ever Camposulloa (Spanish)
\$95.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (10/20/2023)
Honorable Chris Wolfe, 213th District Court
3. Hired Hands, Inc.
 - A. Re: Case Nos. 1782644 Tremaine Hightower (Spanish)
\$85.00 per hour - 2.75 hour minimum fee charged (09/21/2023)
Honorable Ryan Hill, 371st District Court
 - B. Re: Case 1703902 Frank Rodriguez-Mendez (Spanish)
\$100.00 per hour – 24 hour minimum fee charged (9/19/2023)
\$85.00 per hour – 18 hour minimum fee charged (9/19/2023)
Honorable George Gallagher, 396th District Court
4. The Spoken Word
Re: Case 1529367 Roman Graupier Hernandez (Spanish)
\$100.00 per hour – 3 hour minimum fee charged (9/27/2023); Invoice #004583
Honorable Ruben Gonzalez, 432nd District Court

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5. Jay Hamdan
Re: Case Nos. 1794841 Chan Sarith (Cambodian)
\$110.00 per hour – 8 hour minimum fee charged (10/11/2023); Invoice# 101123
Honorable Brian Bolton, County Criminal Court #9
6. Jeff Boncek
Re: Case Nos. 1777677 Luis Reyes (Spanish)
\$150.00 per hour – 1 hour minimum fee charged (10/18/2023)
Honorable Steve Jumes, 485th District Court
7. PML Interpreting & Translation, Inc.
Re: Case Nos. 1777325 Luis Reyes (Spanish)
\$100.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (10/3/2023)
Honorable Chris Wolfe, 213th District Court

FISCAL IMPACT

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