



COMMISSIONERS COURT  
COMMUNICATION

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

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DATE: 02/07/2023

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF REQUEST TO USE THE FAMILY LAW CENTER  
AND TOM VANDERGRIFF CIVIL COURTS BUILDING FOR THE  
2023 NATIONAL TRIAL COMPETITION ON FEBRUARY 9, 2023  
THROUGH FEBRUARY 11, 2023**

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

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the use of the Family Law Center and Tom Vandergriff Civil Courts Building for the 2023 National Trial Competition beginning Thursday, February 9, 2023 and ending Saturday, February 11, 2023.

**BACKGROUND**

On January 21, 2020, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order No. 131964, approved the use of the Family Law Center and Tom Vandergriff Civil Courts Building for the 2020 National Trial Competition when it was held in Fort Worth.

On March 8, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order No. 137654, approved the use of the Family Law Center and Tom Vandergriff Civil Courts Building for the 2022 National Trial Competition when it was held in Fort Worth

The 2023 National Mock Trial Competition is scheduled to be held in Fort Worth on February 9, 2023 through February 11, 2023. Judge Don Cosby is assisting the Texas A&M School of Law along with Texas Young Lawyers of the State Bar of Texas with the event and has requested the use of the Family Law Center and Tom Vandergriff Civil Courts Building for the upcoming competition. This includes courtrooms, assembly rooms, the Lawyers Lounge and the Vandergriff Jury Room.

The County Jury Administrator, Family and Civil District Court Judges have no opposition with this event.

The Sheriff's Office has agreed to provide security during the non-business hours of this competition.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The estimated fiscal impact based on salary average overtime rates for Facilities Management and the Sheriff's Office will be less than \$4,956.00. Salary cost will be charged to the following accounts:

\$956.00 – Facilities Management account 3110407000/10000-2023  
\$4,000.00 – Sheriff's Office account 2110610000/10000-2023

SUBMITTED BY:	Facilities Management	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Misty Foster Michael Amador
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