



# COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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

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DATE: 04/18/2023

**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. Interlingua USA**

A. Re: Cause No. 1748151R – Zhao Zhexue

\$150.00 per hour – 2.25 hours (01/18/2023); Invoice #10009

Honorable Mollee Westfall, 485th District Court

**2. Jay Hamdan**

A. Re: Cause No. 1726486 – Mabrahtom Kmifle

\$110.00 per hour – 3 hour minimum (03/07/2023); Invoice #3723

Honorable David C. Hagerman, 297th District Court

**3. Josue Carmona of The Spoken Word, LLC**

A. Re: Cause No. 1561814 – Jesus Gloria

\$95.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum (11/15/2022); Invoice #004291

Honorable Steven Jumes, 485th District Court

**FISCAL IMPACT**

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

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