

SAN PATRICIO COUNTY COURT AT LAW

STANDING ORDER RELATING TO DIVISION OF CASES

EFFECTIVE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2023

1. Upon consideration of the creation of the San Patricio County Court at Law No. 2, and in an effort to equitably distribute the case load of the County Court at Law, it is hereby ORDERED that all civil, probate, guardianship, and juvenile cases filed before January 1, 2023, shall be assigned to the following Courts until further order of this Court.

County Court at Law No. 1 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending in an odd number.

County Court at Law No. 2 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending in an even number.

2. Upon consideration of the creation of the San Patricio County Court at Law No. 2, and in an effort to equitably distribute the case load of the County Court at Law, it is hereby ORDERED that all <u>criminal</u> cases filed before January 1, 2023, shall be assigned to the following Courts until further order of this Court.

County Court at Law No. 1 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending in an odd number.

County Court at Law No. 2 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending in an even number.

Defendants with multiple cases that are filed consecutively shall be assigned to one court. The Court assigned the defendant's first cause number filed will be assigned the consecutively filed causes, notwithstanding the case number ending.

3. Upon consideration of the creation of the San Patricio County Court at Law No. 2, and in an effort to equitably distribute the case load of the County Court at Law, it is hereby ORDERED that all <u>civil</u>, <u>probate</u>, <u>guardianship</u>, <u>juvenile</u> and <u>family</u> law cases filed after January 1, 2023, shall be assigned to the following cause number for the respective Courts until further order of this Court.

County Court at Law No. 1 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending with a -A.

County Court at Law No. 2 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending in a -B.

4. Upon consideration of the creation of the San Patricio County Court at Law No. 2, and in an effort to equitably distribute the case load of the County Court at Law, it is hereby ORDERED that all <u>criminal</u> filed after January 1, 2023, shall be assigned to the following cause number for the respective Courts until further order of this Court.

County Court at Law No. 1 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending with a -A.

County Court at Law No. 2 shall be assigned all cause numbers ending in a -B.

Defendants with multiple cases that are filed consecutively shall be assigned to one court. The Court assigned the defendant's first cause number filed will be assigned the consecutively filed causes notwithstanding the case number ending.

- 4. County Court at Law No. 1 and County Court at Law No. 2 shall maintain general jurisdiction of all matters filed in County Court at Law, regardless of agreed assignments.
- 5. The Judges of the County Courts at Law may transfer cases to and from the dockets of their respective courts in matters within their jurisdiction in order that the business may be distributed between them.

Signed this the 18th day of January, 2023

ELIZABETH WELBORN

San Patrigio County Court at Law No.1

Administrative Presiding Judge

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San Patricio County Court at Law No. 2

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