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*Subject: Second Follow-up Review of
Maverick County's
Indigent Defense System*

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CYNTHIA L. MUÑIZ
District Judge
February 4, 2013

SUSAN L. VILLANUEVA
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Mr. Joel Lieurance,
Policy Monitor
Texas Indigent Defense Commission
209 West 14th Street, Room 202
Austin, Texas 78701

**RE: Second Follow-up Review of Maverick County's
Indigent Defense System**

Dear Mr. Lieurance;

The following is the Maverick County's response to the Second Follow-up Review of Maverick County's Indigent Defense System:

County's Response to Second Follow-up Finding 4:

In the future, attorney appointments will comply with TEX. CODE CRIM. PRO. Art. 26.04 (j)(2) so that all Court appointed attorneys will represent their clients until charges are dismissed, the defendant is acquitted, appeals are exhausted, or the attorney is permitted or ordered by the Court to withdraw as counsel after a finding of good cause is entered on the record.

County's Response to Second Follow-up Finding 1, 2, 3, 5, & 6:

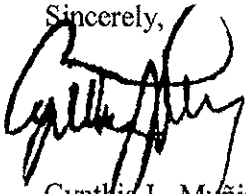
The County will create a Magistrate's Indigent Defense Transmittal Form which will be filled in by the Magistrates for each arrested person. The basic form is attached for your review. It is still being perfected. This form requests the following information: Date; Name of Magistrate; Name of Arrested Person; Cause Number; Name of Offense; and, Type and Degree of Offense. The form will also contain three columns of which only one will be selected. The Magistrate will indicate if indigent counsel was waived, or will be retained or if indigent counsel was requested. In the following section the Sheriff's Designee will check whether the financial inability form was received and who, if anyone, assisted the arrestee to fill out the form. The last two columns on the form indicate whether the financial inability form was sent to the County Clerk (misdemeanor offenses) or the District Clerk (felony offenses).

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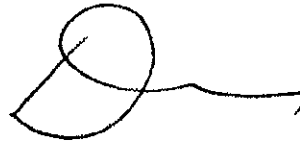
The Magistrate will be responsible for filling out one line of the Transmittal Form for each arrestee. Each Transmittal Form has 20 lines, that is, space for the information of 20 arrested persons. The Transmittal Forms will be kept at all places where magistrations are performed: 1) the City of Eagle Pass Police Department; 2) Maverick County Sheriff's Office; 3) all Justice of the Peace offices; 4) the County Judge's office; and 5) the two District Judge's offices. The Magistrate will retain the form until completed with 20 arrestees. All Transmittal Forms will be submitted to the District Clerk for safe keeping.

As we discussed in our meeting with Mr. Bryan Wilson, I believe that this procedure will insure compliance with Findings 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6. Thank you for your assistance in resolving this problem. Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Cynthia L. Muñiz
Presiding Judge
293rd Judicial District Court



David R. Saucedo
County Judge
Maverick County

