

**IN THE DISTRICT COURTS AND THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW COURT  
OF CORYELL COUNTY**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

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**STANDING ORDER  
REGARDING FILING  
AND ASSIGNMENT OF CIVIL  
CASES IN CORYELL COUNTY**

**ADMINISTRATIVE STANDING ORDER**

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This order is an administrative standing order of the District Courts and County Court at Law of Coryell County that applies in all civil cases filed with the District and County Clerk of Coryell County. Subject to the Rules of Court of 52<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District of Texas Coryell County, the 52<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court, the 440<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court and the Coryell County Court at Law approve this standing order on filing and assignment of civil cases. Therefore, it is ORDERED:

**Cases within the Exclusive Jurisdiction of the District Courts**

All civil cases within the exclusive jurisdiction of the District Courts shall be presented for filing to the District Clerk.

**Cases within the Exclusive Jurisdiction of the County Court at Law**

All civil cases within the exclusive jurisdiction of the County Court at Law (i.e., all probate, mental illness, appeals from justice and municipal courts, and condemnation cases (where title to the subject property is not in question) shall be presented for filing to the County Clerk.

**Concurrent Civil Jurisdiction Cases**

All civil cases within the concurrent civil jurisdiction of the District Courts and County Court at Law (i.e., civil cases where the matter in controversy exceeds \$500 and does not exceed \$200,000, excluding interest, statutory or punitive damages and penalties, and attorney's fees and costs, as alleged on the face of the petition, and all family law matters) shall be presented for filing to the District Clerk.

**Assignment of Cases**

- (1) All cases within the exclusive jurisdiction of the District Courts shall be randomly assigned and equally distributed among the District Courts, subject to the following limitations:

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CORYELL COUNTY  
10:25 o'clock AM

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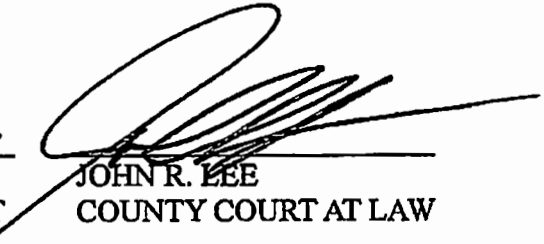
*Janice M. Gray*  
DISTRICT CLERK

- (a) All tax cases shall be filed in the 52<sup>ND</sup> District Court.
  - (b) All inmate litigation and C.P.R.C. Chapter 14 shall be assigned and filed in the 440<sup>th</sup> District Court.
  - (c) All civil related to criminal cause filed in the District Court with the pending criminal cause, all others assigned to the 440<sup>th</sup> District Court.
- (2) All cases within the concurrent jurisdiction of the District Courts and County Court at Law shall be randomly assigned and equally distributed among the District Courts and the County Court at Law, subject to the following limitations:
- (a) All juvenile cases shall be assigned to the County Court at Law.
  - (b) All Department of Family and Protective Services (as defined by the Texas Family Code) shall be filed in the 52<sup>ND</sup> District Court.
  - (c) All Title IV-D Cases (OAG Child Support) shall be filed and assigned to the 440<sup>th</sup> District Court.
- (3) To assure randomness of assignment, if a party dismisses or non-suits a case and refiles it within one year after dismissal, it will be reassigned to the Court which it was pending at the time of the dismissal or non-suit.
- (4) This order will apply to all newly filed cases in Coryell County, those transferred to Coryell County on change of venue, and those cases in Coryell County ordered reassigned by a recusing or transferring judge. Nothing herein will prevent judges from exchanging benches, sitting for another judge, or transferring cases between themselves, when allowed by law.

THIS STANDING ORDER REGARDING CIVIL FILING AND ASSIGNMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2017.

  
TRENT D. FARRELL  
52<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT COURT

  
GRANT KINSEY  
440<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT

  
JOHN R. LEE  
COUNTY COURT AT LAW