

The Coryell County District Attorneys Office continues to serve you and the community in the best manner possible under these extraordinary conditions related to COVID-19.

The office is closed to foot traffic and personal contact with the community, but our phone lines and emails are operational and we will continue to engage with the public, law enforcement and other relevant stakeholders best we can to serve their needs.

This is a very fluid, and day to day situation. We will continue to engage in our services best we can with the environment we are currently under.

Please note that defense attorneys can still communicate and work on criminal cases with our offices under this current structure designed under these emergency circumstances. We will engage in otherwise normal activities, i.e. case review/screening, discovery preparation and distribution, victim communications, law enforcement communications, and even hearings both essential and non-essential as the Courts allow with various platforms to assist in the communications.

Ordinarily, the State must indict those individuals that have been arrested and are being detained in jail within 90 days for felony crimes, otherwise that individual would be entitled to a Personal Recognizance Bond, or a bond reduction. That deadline has been extended to 120 days in accordance with the Standing Order executed by the District Courts of Coryell County. This was done to protect the safety and health of grand jurors as well as county staff.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to communicate to our office either by phone or email.

Please note: on March 13, 2020, the Governor declared the entire State a Disaster Area. Therefore, certain offenses now have increased punishment ranges pursuant to Texas Penal Code Sect. 12.50

The offenses are Texas Penal Code:

Sec. 22.02 Assault

Sec. 28.02 Arson

Sec. 29.02 Robbery

Sec. 30.02 Burglary

Sec. 30.03 Burglary of Coin-Operated or Coin Collection Machines

Sec. 30.04 Burglary of Vehicles

Sec. 30.05 Criminal Trespass

Sec. 31.03 Theft

If the offense is a Class A, the minimum term of confinement is 180 days. If the offense is a First Degree Felony, it does not increase and remains a first degree felony offense.

For all other offense levels, increase by one.

Please be safe and healthy during this challenging time.

Best,

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