BELL COUNTY STANDING ORDER REGARDING AUDIO AND VIDEO

THIS BELL COUNTY DISTRICT COURT STANDING ORDER REGARDING AUDIO AND VIDEO IS BINDING ON (1) THE PARTIES, (2) THE PARTIES' OFFICERS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES, AND ATTORNEYS, (3) ANY OTHER PERSON WHO ACTS IN CONCERT WITH THE PARTIES OR THEIR AGENTS, (4) ANY MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA COVERING THE COURT PROCEEDINGS, AND (5) ANY AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

In order to promote the integrity and control of courtroom proceedings, and the security and safety of those involved in court proceedings, the judges of the Bell County District Courts make the following standing order:

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that all proceedings requiring a record shall be recorded only by the Official Court Reporter of the respective district court or a substitute court reporter as permitted by the judge. No person shall make, or knowingly allow to be made, audio, video, or any other type of recordings of court proceedings or of communications before, after, or during breaks of court proceedings. This order applies to the areas inside the courtroom, in the adjacent conference rooms, in the hallways and foyers, and in all areas with public access in the courthouse. Ceremonial proceedings are an exception to this order. The district judges of Bell County individually have the discretion to make further exceptions to this standing order as they deem appropriate for the management of their district court. This Bell County Standing Order is effective June 1, 2014.

Signed this the 30th day of April, 2014

JUDGE JOHN GAUNTT

27th District Court

JUDGE GORDON G. ADAMS

169th District Court

JUDGE FANCYH. JEZEK

426th District Court

JUDGE JACK JONES, JR.

146th District Court

JUDGE MARTHA J. TRUDO

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