



**DISTRICT COURTS TRYING CRIMINAL CASES IN HARRIS COUNTY  
HARRIS COUNTY CRIMINAL COURTS AT LAW  
HARRIS COUNTY JUSTICE COURTS**

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**ORDER OF APPOINTMENT**

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We further **ORDER** the District Clerk of Harris County to enter this order in the Minutes of the District Courts Trying Criminal Cases in Harris County, the Harris County Criminal Courts at Law, and to send a copy of this order to all the Harris County Justices of the Peace.

So **ORDERED** this 12th day of January 2024.

  
Te'iva Bell (Jan 12, 2024 20:39 CST)

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Te'iva Bell, Administrative Judge,  
District Courts Trying Criminal Cases  
Harris County, Texas

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Shannon B. Baldwin, Presiding Judge,  
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Lincoln Goodwin, Presiding Judge,  
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Attachments: 1) Oath; 2) Signed Statement of Office



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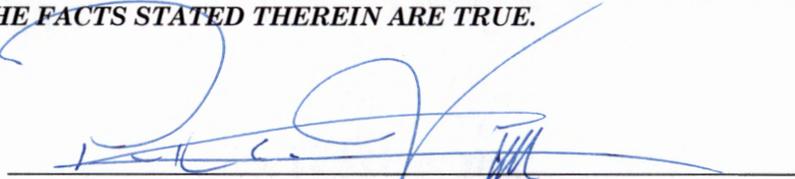
## STATEMENT OF ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICER

*(Pursuant to Tex. Const. art. XVI, §1(b), amended 2001)*

I, **PATRICK A. JOSEPH**, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected or as a reward to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case may be, so help me God.

***UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING STATEMENT AND THAT THE FACTS STATED THEREIN ARE TRUE.***

1/13/2024  
Date

  
Officer's Signature

Criminal Law Hearing Officer  
Position to Which Elected/Appointed

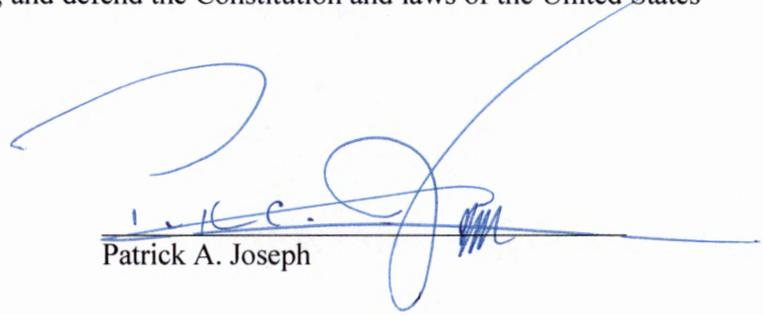
Harris County, Texas  
City and/or County

In the name and by the authority of

# The State of Texas

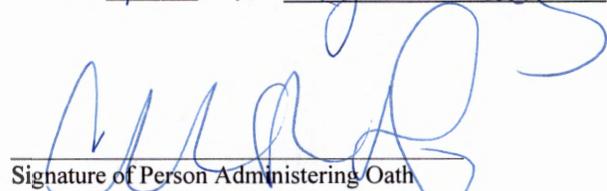
## OATH OF OFFICE

I, **PATRICK A. JOSEPH**, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of Harris County Criminal Law Hearing Officer of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State, so help me God.



Patrick A. Joseph

SWORN TO and subscribed before me by affiant on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January  
2024.



Signature of Person Administering Oath

Printed Name CHERYL H. DIGGS  
Harris County Criminal Law  
Hearing Officer  
Title Harris County, Texas

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