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SPECIAL ORDER NO. _____

STATE OF TEXAS

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
GIVING PREFERENCE TO
CRIMINAL MATTERS

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AND

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144TH, 175TH, 186TH, 187TH

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226TH, 227TH, 290TH

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379TH, 399TH, and 437TH

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COUNTY OF BEXAR

§

OF BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS

STANDING ORDER OF REFERRAL

TO

THE BEXAR COUNTY FELONY PRE-INDICTMENT COURT ASSOCIATE JUDGES

AND

THE BEXAR COUNTY CRIMINAL LAW MAGISTRATE

REGARDING

CHAPTER 47 PROPERTY DISPOSITION HEARINGS

AND

ARTICLE 51.13 EXTRADITION HEARINGS

THE CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT JUDGES OF BEXAR COUNTY HEREBY
ISSUE THIS STANDING COURT ORDER OF REFERRAL AS FOLLOWS:

1. The following matters are referred to the Felony Pre-Indictment Courts 1 and 2,
and/or to the Bexar County Criminal Law Magistrate Court:
 - a. Hearings conducted pursuant to and in accordance with Article 47.01a of
the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure ("Property Disposition
Hearings"); and
 - b. Hearings conducted pursuant to and in accordance with Article 51.13 of
the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure ("Extradition Hearings").
2. The Criminal District Court Judges of Bexar County consider the hearings listed
above in Paragraph 1 to be "necessary and proper" for referral to the Associate Judges
under Government Code Section 54A.006(a)(11).
3. The Criminal District Court Judges of Bexar County consider the hearings listed
above in Paragraph 1 to be "necessary and proper" for referral to the Bexar County
Criminal Law Magistrate under Government Code Section 54.906(a)(8).

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4. Consistent with and in accordance with Government Code Section 54A.013, if the action taken by the Associate Judge related to a Property Disposition Hearing or Extradition Hearing is not superseded by an order entered by a District Court Judge within thirty (30) days of such action taken, the Associate Judge's ruling will become a decree of the District Court to which the case is ultimately assigned.
5. Consistent with and in accordance with Government Code Section 54.912, if the action taken by the Criminal Law Magistrate related to a Property Disposition Hearing or Extradition Hearing is not superseded by an order entered by a District Court Judge by the conclusion of the term during which the services of the Magistrate are used, the Criminal Law Magistrate's ruling will be approved by, be adopted by, and become a decree of, the District Court to which the case is ultimately assigned.
6. This Standing Order is issued pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 54A.006, 54A.007, 54.906, and 54.907, and in accordance with Rule 10 of the Texas Rules of Judicial Administration.
7. Each referral encompassed by and authorized by this Standing Order shall remain in effect until any subsequent orders directing otherwise are issued by one or more of the District Court Judges.

SIGNED and ORDERED on 07/08/2026

Michael Mery

Michael Mery (Jun 26, 2026 09:25:53 CDT)

MICHAEL MERY
JUDGE
144TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Catherine Torres-Stahl

Catherine Torres-Stahl (Jun 26, 2026 10:03:29 CDT)

CATHERINE TORRES-STAH
JUDGE
175TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Kristina Escalona

Judge Kristina Escalona (Jun 26, 2026 10:05:14 CDT)

KRISTINA ESCALONA
JUDGE
186TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Judge Stephanie Boyd

Judge Stephanie Boyd (Jun 27, 2026 06:31:16 CDT)

STEPHANIE BOYD
JUDGE
187TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Benjamin Robertson

Benjamin Robertson (Jun 27, 2026 08:16:08 CDT)

BENJAMIN ROBERTSON
JUDGE
226TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Christine Del Prado

Judge Christine Del Prado (Jun 29, 2026 12:10:17 CDT)

CHRISTINE DEL PRADO
JUDGE
227TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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Jennifer Peña
Jennifer Peña (Jun 29, 2026 15:45:17 CDT)

JENNIFER PEÑA
JUDGE
290TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Frank Castro
Frank Castro (Jul 8, 2026 11:07:52 CDT)

FRANK CASTRO
JUDGE
399TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Ron Rangel
Ron Rangel (Jun 29, 2026 18:58:09 CDT)

RON RANGEL
JUDGE
379TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Joel Perez
JOEL PEREZ (Jul 8, 2026 12:57:59 CDT)

JOEL PEREZ
JUDGE
437TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

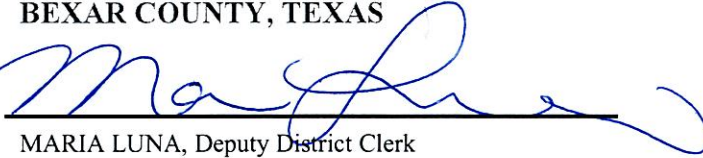
CERTIFIED COPY CERTIFICATE STATE OF TEXAS
I, GLORIA A. MARTINEZ, BEXAR COUNTY DISTRICT
CLERK, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING
IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL
RECORD NOW IN MY LAWFUL CUSTODY. WITNESS
MY OFFICIAL HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE ON THIS:



July 08, 2026

**GLORIA A. MARTINEZ
BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS**

By:



MARIA LUNA, Deputy District Clerk

(NOT VALID WITHOUT THE CLERKS'S ORIGINAL SIGNATURE.)