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AMENDED STANDING ORDER REGARDING USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

402nd Judicial District Court of Wood County

This Standing Order of the District Court of Wood County applies to every pending or hereafter filed case in the District Court of Wood County. Nothing in this Order should be construed as relieving an attorney or self-represented litigant of any legal or ethical obligation required by law, statute, or rule, including rules of procedure, evidence, or the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct.

Generative artificial intelligence systems (such as ChatGPT, Harvey.AI, Claude, Google Copilot, OpenAI, Bing, Lexis+ AI, Westlaw AI Assisted Research, Ask Practical Law AI, and others) are being incorporated into common professional use. The abilities of these systems vary widely depending on the application, version, and underlying technology used. While technology is developing quickly, it is currently unreliable, prone to bias, and may fabricate information. The creators of these systems are not attorneys of record, licensed and in good standings to practice law in the State of Texas, and are not bound by the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct.

WHEREAS the signing of the pleading or motion in Texas certifies that each claim, defense, or other legal contention in the pleading or motion is warranted by existing law or by non-frivolous argument for the extension, modification, or reversal of existing law or the establishment of new law;

FURTHER, the Court is aware that artificial intelligence systems have the ability to take a recording or live conversation and turn that into a transcript or other written document. Courts have the authority to prohibit the use of all recording devices.

WHEREAS courts have the inherent power to sanction parties for violation of rules, orders, standing orders, and statutory obligations; and

WHEREAS a court on its own initiative may direct a court participant to show cause why his or her conduct has not violated a rule, order, standing order, or statutory obligation;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

All self-represented litigants and attorneys who utilize any forms of artificial intelligence for legal research, drafting, or analysis in connection with a case before this Court shall, before using any AI-generated information in a court submission or proceeding, sign and submit the attached certification form, stating that:

1. All language, quotations, sources, citations, arguments, and legal analysis created or contributed to by generative artificial intelligence were, before submission, verified as accurate through traditional (non-AI) legal sources by a human being; and
2. The attorney or self-represented litigant submitting such information understands and acknowledges that they are and will be held responsible and potentially sanctioned for their own, their staff's, or their co-counsel's failure to comply with this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

All individuals entering the courtroom, or court offices, are prohibited from recording any of the activities, conversations, or other events occurring in the courtroom, or court offices. The use of artificial intelligence is prohibited in the courtroom, or in court offices. The use of artificial intelligence to record, listen to, or transcribe any activity in the courtroom, or court office, is strictly prohibited.

This order is effective immediately for all cases filed or pending in the Wood County District Court. This Order remains in effect until rescinded or replaced by the District Court of Wood County and may be modified or amended at any time.

The Wood County District Clerk is directed to file this Order with the Office of Court Administration, to post it in the county administrative orders, and to ensure that a file-marked copy is posted as a Public Notice at the County Courthouse and on the Wood County District Court's website.

SIGNED this 12th day of November, 2026.

J. Brad McCampbell

JUDGE J. Brad McCampbell

402nd District Court

Exhibit A-Certification Regarding Use of Artificial Intelligence

CAUSE NO. _____

_____ **IN THE DISTRICT COURT**

PLAINTIFF

v. **402ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

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DEFENDANT **WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS**

CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

I, the undersigned attorney of record or self-represented litigant in the above-entitled and numbered cause pending in the District Court of Wood County, Texas, hereby certify as follows:

1. I have reviewed and understand the Standing Order Regarding Use of Artificial Intelligence issued by the Wood County District Court, and I will comply with that Order throughout this case.
2. Any information created or contributed to by generative artificial intelligence---including, but not limited to, language, quotations, sources, citations, arguments, and legal analysis---was, before submission to this Court, independently verified as accurate using traditional (non-AI) legal sources by a human being.
3. I understand that I remain personally responsible for all filings and submissions to this Court, and that I may be subject to sanctions under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, and Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code Chapter 10, the inherent power of the Court, or for contempt of court, for failing to comply with the Court's Standing Order or this Certification.

SIGNED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

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Attorney Name / Self Representing Litigant

State Bar No. _____

Attorney for _____