

STATE OF TEXAS

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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT

COUNTY OF BEXAR

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STANDING ORDER NO. 1—DEFERRED DISPOSITION

WHEREAS, the Rules of the Municipal Court of the City of San Antonio, Texas and Chapter 21 of the Texas Government Code give the Courts responsibility and authority ensuring the integrity and impartiality of court proceedings; and require that proceedings be conducted with dignity and in an orderly and expeditious manner with control of the proceedings so that justice is done; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public safety during the COVID-19 and related coronavirus public health crises, this Order is established to address protocols on the granting of deferred disposition.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Presiding Judge of the City of San Antonio Municipal Court that the following policy is in effect from this day forward regarding the granting of deferred disposition:

- A. It is presumed that all Defendants are eligible for deferred disposition on unadjudicated matters.
- B. Court Clerks may process requests for deferred disposition on unadjudicated matters from a Defendant, or a Defendant’s attorney, and may complete the paperwork for the Court’s signature unless the Defendant is not eligible for deferred disposition as outlined below. Defendants who are not eligible for deferred disposition will be granted a one-time automatic reset of 60 days.
- C. The deferral period shall be for a total of 150 days with any special conditions of deferred (including full payment of the special expense fee) due within 120 days.

MOVING VIOLATIONS:

A Defendant is not eligible for deferred disposition under this Standing Order on unadjudicated matters for a moving violation if:

- 1) The Defendant is the holder of a Commercial Driver's License or held a Commercial Driver's License at the time of the alleged offense.
- 2) The offense is alleged to have occurred in a construction or maintenance work zone and the citation indicates that workers were present; and
- 3) The alleged offense involves speeding in excess of 25 mph or more over the posted speed limit

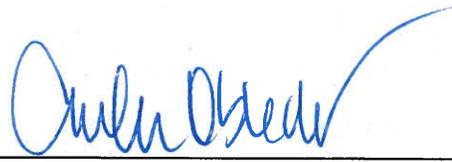
NON-MOVING VIOLATIONS:

A Defendant is not eligible for deferred disposition under this Standing Order on the following types of unadjudicated matters:

- 1) Defendant is charged any type of assault including assault by threat;
- 2) Defendant is charged with any violation related to animals;
- 3) Defendant is charged with any "code compliance type" offense.
- 4) Defendant is charged with any "quality of life type" offense.

If the Defendant fails to timely comply with the terms of deferred disposition, the Clerk shall summon the Defendant to Court to show cause for such failure. If the Defendant fails to appear at the "show cause setting," a final judgment shall be prepared for the Court's signature.

SIGNED AND ENTERED on this, the 10 day of March, 2020.



**CARLA OBLEDO
PRESIDING JUDGE,
CITY OF SAN ANTONIO MUNICIPAL COURT**