

Rule 8. Attorney Fee Schedule and Compensation of Term Assignment Attorneys

8.01 Fee Schedule.

The county will pay term assignment attorneys according to the fee schedule approved by the judges as reflected in an order to be effective on January 1st of each year.

Rule 9. Attorney Fee Schedule and Compensation of Individual Case Appointed Attorneys

9.01 Fee Schedule.

The county will pay appointed counsel for all time reasonably necessary for adequate representation of the defendant, as approved by a judge, according to the following fee schedule adopted as provided under Article 26.05(b) of the Code of Criminal Procedure:

A minimum of \$75 an hour and a maximum of \$150 an hour, or a total fixed fee as set forth below:

- (1) Case which results in a plea of guilty: \$400;
- (2) Case which results in a trial: \$500 a day, plus up to \$1,000 pretrial.

9.02 Judicial Determination of Attorney Compensation.

The judge presiding over the case for which the appointed attorney seeks compensation will use the following procedures to review and approve the appropriate compensation:

(a) The appointed counsel must submit to the presiding judge a form approved by the judges for itemizing the services performed.

(b) The presiding judge hearing a motion under this Rule will either approve the amount requested or enter written findings stating the amount of payment that the judge approves and each reason for approving an amount different from the requested amount.