Felony Status Docket Procedures for County Court at Law No. 2

In order to accommodate all parties in misdemeanor cases with related pending felony charges, County Court at Law No. 2 has implemented a virtual Felony Status Docket which will be conducted via electronic hearing. Below is an explanation of the Court's procedures and expectations.

- 1. All Felony Status Dockets will be conducted virtually using Zoom. Please see the document titled Protocols for Electronic Appearance for more exact instructions.
- 2. Felony Status Hearings will typically be held once a month on a Friday near the end of the month. All initial setting notices will state 8:30 a.m.; however, the attorney will have the option to choose a different time for his or her appearance. If no change is requested, the Court will assign a time and will send an amended setting notice to the parties.
- 3. Attorneys ARE NOT excused from these hearings, and the Court will not entertain a filed Waiver that includes an explanation of the defendant's felony status. If the attorney requires a continuance, one must be filed in accordance with TCCP Art. 29 at least 72 hours prior to the hearing so that the Court has time to grant or deny the request.
- 4. The Court expects the defense attorney to provide recent information as to the pending felony case. If the defense fails to give a reason as to why the case should remain as felony status, the case will be moved to a trial docket.
- 5. Defendants are required to attend the hearing. Failure to attend could result in a bond forfeiture and the issuance of an alias capias.

Link: Electronic Hearing Protocols