## IN THE 36<sup>TH</sup>, 156<sup>th</sup>, 343<sup>rd</sup> DISTRICT COURTS and COUNTY COURT AT LAW

OF

## SAN PATRICIO COUNTY, TEXAS

## ORDER TO NEWS MEDIA AND PUBLIC

IT IS ORDERED by the Court that:

According to the Local Rules of the 36<sup>th</sup>, 156<sup>th</sup> and 343<sup>rd</sup> District Courts the News Media and any member of the Public are <u>not</u> permitted to televise, record and/or photograph any courtroom proceedings.

Beginning February 1, 2016 cameras and recording devices will be allowed in the San Patricio County Courthouse **ONLY** in the designated area located on the first floor north entrance vestibule and all other areas that may be pre-approved in writing by the Local Administrative Judge or the Judge(s) presiding over any trial.

No member of the media or public may obstruct the aisles or free passage of any person who may be at the San Patricio County Courthouse (whether inside or outside the building) for any form of business.

**<u>CELL PHONES</u>** are **<u>NOT</u>** allowed in the Courtroom.

There shall be  $\underline{NO}$  obstruction or interference with orderly proceedings by any person.

<u>Under NO circumstances</u> will the media televise, photograph or record any member of a jury panel or jury members during the pendency of any trial.

Signed this the 19<sup>71</sup> day of January, 2016.

Starr B. Bauer, 36th District Court Judge

Patrick L. Flanigan, 156th District Court Judge

Janna K. Whatley, 343<sup>rd</sup> District Court Judge

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