

December 27, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO: Williamson County Commissioners' Court

FROM: D. Scott Heselmeyer, County Treasurer
and Secretary, Williamson County
Bail Bond Board

RE: County Court at Law Representative
to Williamson County Bail Bond Board



D. Scott Heselmeyer
County Treasurer

The Williamson County Bail Bond Board is established under Chapter 1704 of the Texas Occupations Code. The Board consists of up to 13 members, appointed in various ways, as designated by the statute. Section 1704.053(4) states that one of the Board members should be:

“A judge of a county court at law in the county having jurisdiction over criminal matters and designated by the commissioners court or a designee of the judge who is approved by the commissioners court.”

Williamson County Bail Bond Board Rule 106(D) states that “prior to the January elections [of Board officers], the current Secretary shall, by letter, request the appropriate authority to designate in writing the person who shall serve as a Board member for the succeeding calendar year.”

For 2017, Judge John McMaster served as the county court at law representative on the Board. In consulting with Judge McMaster about a re-appointment for 2018, Judge McMaster pointed out that, while he does have jurisdiction over criminal matters, his court currently does not handle criminal matters. Therefore, after further consultation with the other county court at law judges, Judge McMaster has suggested that Judge Laura Barker serve on the Board for 2018.

Accordingly, as Secretary of the Williamson County Bail Bond Board, I am recommending that the Commissioners' Court appoint Judge Laura Barker as the county court at law representative to the Williamson County Bail Bond Board for calendar year 2018.



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