

## NOTICE

The Judges of the District Courts Trying Criminal Cases, the County Criminal Courts at Law and the Justices of the Peace are accepting resumes for a Criminal Law Hearing Officer position.

### Qualifications:

1. Must be a resident of Harris County, Texas;
2. Must have been licensed to practice law in Texas for at least five years;
3. Must not have been defeated for reelection to a judicial office;
4. Must not have been removed from office:
  - by impeachment, by the Supreme Court, by the Governor on address to the legislature;
  - by the legislature's abolition of the judge's court;
  - by resigning from office after having received notice that formal proceedings by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct had been instituted as provided in Section 33.022, Government Code, and before the final disposition of the proceedings.

Annual Salary: \$ 131,518

**Duties:** Criminal Law Hearing Officer will staff hearings on a 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week schedule. A criminal law hearing officer has limited concurrent jurisdiction over criminal cases filed in the district courts, county criminal courts at law, and justice courts of Harris County. The jurisdiction of the criminal law hearing officer is limited to:

1. Determine probable cause for further detention of any person detained on a criminal complaint, information or indictment filed in the district courts, county criminal courts at law, or justice courts of Harris County;
2. Commit the defendant to jail, discharge the defendant from custody, or admit the defendant to bail, as the law and fact of the case require;
3. Timely issue search warrants and arrest warrants as provided by law for magistrates;
4. As to criminal cases filed in justice courts, dispose of cases as provided by law, other than by trial, and collect fines and enforce judgments and orders of the justice courts in criminal cases;
5. Hear emergency mental health matters under Chapter 573, Health and Safety Code.

Interested parties should submit a signed and notarized application, which includes, but is not limited to, statutory eligibility, areas of specialty, listed references (employment and character) to:

District and Harris County Courts' Administrative Office  
1201 Franklin, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Houston, TX 77002

Closing: June 13, 2016, 5:00 p.m.

Applications may be downloaded at [www.justex.net](http://www.justex.net) under current events.