FAIR DEFENSE ACT

APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES

183rd DISTRICT COURT

In furtherance of the Fair Defense Act's primary goal of providing qualified counsel to indigent defendants, and in accordance with the procedures of the alternative plan adopted by the judges trying criminal cases in Harris County, the 183rd District Court will use the **individual method** for appointing attorneys. Attorneys will be paid in accordance with the established fee schedule.

INDIVIDUAL CASE APPOINTMENTS (See *Standards and Procedures*): The Court will use the ***individual case*** method to appoint attorneys to represent indigent defendants as deemed necessary by the Court.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Individual Case Appointments: Attorneys selected for ***individual case*** appointments must meet the qualifications established by the Board of Judges and appropriate to the offense with which defendant is charged. See *Standards and Procedures.*

Date Signed: 2/2/2022

Chuck Silverman,

Judge, 183rd District Court