

SAN PATRICIO COUNTY COURT AT LAW

MISDEMEANOR ARRAIGNMENT ADVISORY INFORMATION

The San Patricio County Attorney has officially charged you with a criminal offense. Cases filed in the San Patricio County Court at Law are either Class A or Class B misdemeanor criminal offenses.

Class A misdemeanors are punishable by a fine of up to \$ 4,000.00 and/ or up to 1 year in the County Jail.

Class B misdemeanors are punishable by a fine of up to \$ 2,000.00 and/ or up to 180 days in the County Jail.

All criminal defendants are presumed innocent until proven otherwise. It is the County Attorney's responsibility to prove the allegations of the charge/charges that have been filed against you.

You have an absolute right to a Trial and a right to a Jury Trial.

At all times you have an absolute right to be represented by an attorney. If you cannot financially afford an attorney and you want an attorney to represent you in your case, you may request a court-appointed attorney. To apply for a court-appointed attorney, please contact the San Patricio County Pre-Trial Services Office @ 361-364-4243 ext. 251 or 253; email Pre-Trial Services at: sanpatpretrial@gmail.com

If you want to represent yourself and speak directly with the County Attorney's office to see if you can reach an agreement on your own, you will be required to sign a "Waiver of Attorney." To obtain a "Waiver of Attorney" and discuss your case with a prosecutor, please contact the County Attorney's Office at 361-364-9338. Please be prepared to provide a call-back number and an email address. Please understand you can withdraw the "Waiver of Attorney" at any time for any reason. You are under no obligation to reach any type of agreement.

SPEAK TO THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE:

PLEASE CONTACT

San Patricio County Attorney's office:

400 W. Sinton St., Sinton, Texas 78387

Phone: 361-364-9338

Email: jgardner@sanpatriciocountytexas.gov

COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEY REQUEST:

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Any additional questions about your next scheduled court date, please contact the County Court at Law directly at 361-364-9325.