

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
SEVENTH ADMINISTRATIVE JUDICIAL REGION OF TEXAS**

**ORDER OF ASSIGNMENT BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE**

Pursuant to Section 74.056, Texas Government Code, the undersigned Presiding Judge assigns the **Honorable William C. Sowder**, Senior Judge of the 99<sup>th</sup> District Court, to the **446<sup>th</sup> District Court, Ector County, Texas**.

The judge is assigned for a period of **One (1) Day** beginning **May 19, 2026**. If the judge begins a trial on the merits during the period of this assignment, the assignment continues in such case until plenary power has expired or the undersigned Presiding Judge has terminated this assignment in writing, whichever occurs first.

IT IS ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court to which this assignment is made, if it is reasonable and practicable, and if time permits, give notice of this assignment to each attorney representing a party to a case that is to be heard in whole or in part by the assigned judge.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk, upon receipt hereof, shall post a copy of this order in a public area of the Clerk's office or courthouse so that attorneys and parties may be advised of this assignment.

SIGNED March 30, 2026.



**BEN WOODWARD**

Presiding Judge

Seventh Administrative Judicial Region

cc: Honorable William C. Sowder  
Honorable Sara Kate Shock  
District Clerk, Ector County  
File