



Judge Christopher M. Clark
County Court at Law #2

Judge Brooke Hendricks
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Date: January 14, 2020

STANDING ORDER REGARDING ALL CIVIL CASES

For all civil cases which are currently pending in the Ector County Court at Law #2, and for any case which is filed subsequent to this Order, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no civil case will be set in this Court for a final trial on the merits until the parties have scheduled and conducted an Alternative Dispute Resolution procedure (ADR), authorized under, and pursuant to, Chapter 154, *Tex. Civ. Prac. Rem. Code*.

If the dispute resolution procedure chosen by the parties or ordered by the Court is mediation, then the following ORDERS apply:

- (1) all counsel, parties and any representatives of those parties having settlement authority shall appear in person and attend the mediation;
- (2) all counsel, the parties, and representatives shall, in good faith, actively participate in the mediation with the goal of resolving the pending case or cases;
- (3) all counsel, parties and representatives shall agree to a date and time for the mediation to take place. In the absence of this agreement, the mediator shall select the date and time for the mediation, and all counsel, parties and representatives shall appear as directed by the mediator; and
- (4) all counsel, parties and representatives shall strictly comply with all confidentiality provisions of Chapter 154, *Tex. Civ. Prac. Rem. Code*.

THE FAILURE OF ANY COUNSEL, ANY PARTY OR ANY REPRESENTATIVES WITH SETTLEMENT AUTHORITY TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDER MAY RESULT IN A FINDING OF CONTEMPT, COURT SANCTIONS, OR BOTH.



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