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To: All Attorneys Practicing in Burnet County Court at Law

From: Cody Henson, Judge, Burnet County Court at Law

Subject: Ex-Parte Requests for Protective Orders or Temporary Restraining Orders

EX-PARTE APPLICATIONS FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS AND PROTECTIVE ORDERS

As many of you are aware, it is the policy of the Court to conduct an off the record telephonic conference if an ex-parte application for a temporary restraining order or for a protective order is filed by someone the Court knows to be represented by counsel. This situation frequently arises if a divorce or SAPCR is pending. Additionally, a pro se party may file an application or petition through the County Attorney while a SAPCR or divorce is pending.

As is the custom of this Court, we will make a good faith effort to arrange an off the record telephonic conference between counsel and/or any pro se parties. If the Court is satisfied that the situation requires immediate action or that conducting a telephonic conference would not be feasible, the Court maintains the authority to rule on any such ex parte application or petition without conference. The Court may also deny any requests for ex parte relief without conference. If the Court grants ex parte relief without conference, the Court will arrange for an expedited hearing at the first available date.

If both parties to the application or petition are prose, the Court will not conduct such a conference and will issue a ruling on the pleadings.

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