STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF POLK





Order Establishing an Appellate Judicial System and Setting a Court Fee to Fund the System Pursuant to Government Code Section 22.2101

The Commissioners Court of Polk County hereby adopts the following order, pursuant to Government Code Section 22.2101 as added by S.B. 325;

- 1. An Appellate Judicial System is hereby established to assist the Ninth Court of Appeals, defray costs and expenses incurred by the County under Section 22.210 and to reimburse Jefferson County for supplemental salaries and annual benefits paid to the justices; and
- 2. To fund the System, a Court fee of \$5 is hereby set for each civil suit filed in the County Court, County Court at Law, Probate Court and District Courts of Polk County, Texas beginning January 1, 2008 with the exception of a suit filed by the County or a suit for delinquent taxes; and
- 3. The Clerk of each Court shall collect the Court fee set herein and pay the same to the County Treasurer, who shall deposit the Court fee into the Appellate Judicial System Fund to be administered by the Commissioners Court for no other purpose than to assist the Ninth Court of Appeals. Additionally, the County Treasurer shall monthly forward all fees collected hereunder to;

Ninth Court of Appeals 1001 Pearl, Ste. 330 Beaumont, Texas 77701 Attn: Carol Anne Flores

4. Management of the System is hereby vested in the Chief Justice of the Ninth Court of Appeals.

READ AND ADOPTED by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas this 12th day of

February, 2008.

Attest

John P. Thompson

County Judge

Barbara Middleton, County Clerk