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STATE OF TEXAS

**COUNTY OF POLK** 



## Order Setting a Justice Court Fee For Copies of Autopsy Reports Pursuant to Health & Safety Code, §671.013(C)

The Commissioners Court of Polk County hereby adopts the following order, pursuant to Health & Safety Code, §671.013(C);

- (a) An autopsy report shall be released on request to an authorized person in connection with the determination of the cause of death in relation to a workers' compensation or insurance claim.
- (b) A person who receives information under Subsection (a) may disclose the information to others only to the extent consistent with the authorized purposes for which the information was obtained.
- (c) The Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas hereby establishes a fee to be charged for a copy of the autopsy report within its custody as follows:
  - (1) for written portions of the report, a fee of \$15; and
- (2) for x-rays and photographs, the actual cost of reproduction, including the reasonable cost of overhead.

READ AND ADOPTED by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

John P. Thompson County Judge

Barbara Middleton, County Clerk