

## **SAN PATRICIO COUNTY COURT AT LAW**

### **MISDEMEANOR ARRAIGNMENT ADVISORY INFORMATION**

**Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Arraignment Docket will be conducted via Lifesize Video Conference. The information provided below is what you need to know about your case.**

**The San Patricio County Attorney has officially charged you with a criminal offense. Cases filed in the County Court at Law are Class A or Class B misdemeanor criminal offenses.**

**Class A misdemeanors are punishable by a fine of up to \$ 4,000.00 and/ or up to 1 year in the County Jail.**

**Class B misdemeanors are punishable by a fine of up to \$ 2,000.00 and/ or up to 180 days in the County Jail.**

**All criminal defendants are presumed innocent until proven otherwise. It is the County Attorney's responsibility to prove the allegations of the charge/charges that you have been charged with.**

**You have an absolute right to a Trial and a Jury Trial.**

**You have an absolute right to be represented by an attorney. If you cannot financially afford an attorney and you want an attorney to represent you in this case you may request a court-appointed attorney. To apply for a court-appointed attorney, please contact the San Patricio County Pre-Trial Services Office @ 361-364-4243 ext. 251 or 253; email Pre-Trial Services at: [sanpatpretrial@gmail.com](mailto:sanpatpretrial@gmail.com)**

**If you want to represent yourself and speak directly with the County Attorney's office, you will be required to sign a "Waiver of Attorney." To obtain a "Waiver of Attorney" and discuss your case with a prosecutor, please contact the County Attorney's Office at 361-364-9338. Please be prepared to provide a call-back number and an email address. Please understand you can withdraw the "Waiver of Attorney" at any time for any reason. You are under no obligation to reach any type of agreement.**

#### **SPEAK TO THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE:**

PLEASE CONTACT

**San Patricio County Attorney's Office:**

400 W. Sinton St., Sinton, Texas 78387

**Phone: 361-364-9338**

**Email: [jgardner@sanpatriciocountytx.gov](mailto:jgardner@sanpatriciocountytx.gov)**

#### **COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEY REQUEST:**

PLEASE CONTACT

**San Patricio County Pre-Trial Services**

400 W. Market St., Sinton, Texas 78387

**Phone No. 361-364-4243 EXT 251 OR 253**

**Email: [sanpatpretrial@gmail.com](mailto:sanpatpretrial@gmail.com)**

**Any additional questions about your next scheduled court date, please contact the County Court at Law directly at 361-364-9325.**