

Justice Court of Clay County

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STANDING ORDER REGARDING COMMUNITY SERVICE

Non-Juvenile Defendants

- 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 45.049(a) The Court may require a defendant who fails to pay a previously assessed fine or cost, or who is determined by the Court to be unable to pay the fine or costs, to discharge all or part of the fine and/or costs by performing community service.
- 2. The Court will provide a written order to the defendant specifying the number of hours required to work and the date by which the community service must be completed.
- 3. Defendants cannot be ordered to perform more than sixteen (16) hours of community service per week unless it is determined by the Court that additional hours will not create an undue hardship on the defendant or the defendant's dependents. *Code of Criminal Procedure Art.* 45.049(d)
- 4. The defendant will receive a minimum of \$100 credit toward fine and costs for each eight (8) hours of community service completed. *Code of Criminal Procedure Art.* 45.049(e).
- 5. Community service can be performed at any of the following:
 - a. A governmental entity;
 - b. A non-profit or other organization that provides services to the general public that enhance social welfare and the general well-being of the community; **or**
 - c. An educational institution. Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 45.049(c)
- 6. The entity that agrees to providing the opportunity for the defendant to perform community service must agree to:
 - a. Supervise the defendant while performing community service;
 - b. Report the defendants work performed to the Court.
- 7. The Court will typically allow ninety (90) calendar days to complete the required hours. The Court, at its discretion, may alter the number of days.

Signed this the 14th day of February 2023.

Judge, Justice Court of Clay County