



CAUSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
VS.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT- AT -LAW  
OF  
COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS

**WAIVER OF ATTORNEY**  
**AND**  
**ORDER FOR PRO SE REPRESENTATION**

WHEREAS, the above named DEFENDANT, before entering into any discussions regarding the above case(s), has declared in open Court the following:

1. I am fully aware of the offense of which I am charged.
2. I am fully aware of the range of punishment.
3. I have never experienced any mental or emotional problems, been adjudged incompetent, or consider myself illiterate.
4. I understand that I have the right to have an attorney to represent me in this case. I understand that I can request a continuance of the hearing in order to hire an attorney. I understand that, if I feel that I am unable to hire an attorney, I can request the Court to decide whether I can have a Court-appointed attorney to represent me in this cause. I understand I may request an attorney at any time prior to the acceptance of this Waiver by the Court. I understand that I can represent myself.
5. I have been advised that there are numerous technical rules governing the conduct of trial (as to procedure, admission of evidence, etc.) and that "presenting a defense is not a simple matter of telling one's story". I understand that I have the right to remain silent. I do not have to talk to the Office of the Criminal District Attorney about my case. I have the right to stop discussions at any time and remain silent. I do not have to testify before the Court.
6. I understand that I do not have to enter into an agreement with the Office of the Criminal District Attorney, and may have the Court or jury hear the evidence and decide this case. I also understand that the Court does not have to accept any agreement I make with the Office of the Criminal District Attorney.
7. I have been duly advised of the dangers and disadvantages of self-representation.
8. I have a Constitutional right to have counsel represent me in this matter, and I have had sufficient time to employ counsel to represent me.

9. I can afford an attorney, I am not indigent, and I have, on my own desire, chosen to represent myself.

10. I freely, voluntarily and without duress and with knowledge of the consequences thereof, hereby waive my right of representation by counsel in the trial of the charge pending against me, and I give up my right to have the Court decide whether I can have a Court-appointed attorney to represent me.

11. I have been advised this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ by the County Court at Law of my right to representation by counsel in the case pending against me. I have been further advised that if I am unable to afford counsel, one will be appointed for me free of charge. Understanding my right to have counsel appointed for me free of charge if I am not financially able to employ counsel, I wish to waive that right and request the court to proceed with my case without an attorney being appointed for me. I hereby waive my right to counsel.

The Court having taken every measure to advise the defendant against representing himself/herself and of the disadvantages thereof, finds the waiver is voluntary and intelligently made. The Court accepts the waiver and **ORDERS** it be made part of the record.

SIGNED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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Defendant

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Presiding Judge