

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached you will find the final version of the Supreme Court Ordered- Civil Cover Sheet. It is also available in word format on our web-site at: <http://www.co.comal.tx.us/dc.htm>

Beginning September 1st a Civil Cover Sheet will be required with new petitions, applications and modifications.

New Rule revised and signed on August 16th, 2010.

Rule 78a Case Information Sheet

- (a) Requirement. A civil case information sheet, in the form promulgated by the Supreme Court of Texas, must accompany the filing of:
 - (1) an original petition of application; and
 - (2) a post-judgment petition for modification or motion for enforcement in a case arising under the Family Code.
- (b) Signature. The civil case information sheet must be signed by the attorney for the party filing the pleading or by the party.
- (c) Enforcement. The court and clerk must take appropriate measures to enforce this rule. But the clerk may not reject a pleading because the pleading is not accompanied by a civil case information sheet.
- (d) Limitation on Use. The civil case information sheet is for data collection for statistical and administrative purposes and does not affect any substantive right.
- (e) Applicability. The civil case information sheet is not required in cases filed in justice courts or small-claims courts, or in cases arising under Title 3 of the Family Code.

Comment: Rule 78a is added to require the submission of a civil case information sheet to collect data for statistical and administrative purposes, see, e.g., TEX. GOV'T CODE 71.035. A civil case information sheet is not pleading. Rule 78a is placed with other rules regarding pleadings because civil case information sheets must accompany pleadings.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Sincerely,
Kathy H. Faulkner

