



JUDGE MARGARET O'BRIEN
Justice of the Peace 2-1
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PEACE BOND

A peace bond is a court order to keep the peace for a period of a year. When a Judge is informed upon oath that an offense is about to be committed against the person or property of the informant, or of another, or that any person has threatened to commit an offense, the Judge may issue a warrant or summons for the accused. Generally, a Peace Bond is not proper once a criminal offense has occurred.

Code of Criminal Procedure Article 7 governs Peace Bond.

The Judge has discretion on how the Judge's wishes to handle Peace Bond hearings. Following are the steps for this Court:

- Step 1** -The affiant/complaining party will complete a Peace Bond Application.
- Step 2** - The Clerk will docket the case. There is no charge for the filing.
- Step 3** - The Clerk will set the case for an immediate ex parte hearing before the Judge. The Judge will hold a hearing to determine if a Peace Bond is the appropriate step. If appropriate, the Judge will set a second hearing for both parties to be present. The Clerk will mail notice to the defendant via regular mail.

In many cases it is inappropriate to file a peace bond and a protective order is more appropriate. The location and number for a protective order is as follows:

Dallas County
Dallas County District Attorney
Family Violence Division, Protective Orders
Frank Crowley Courts Bldg, 10th Flr 133 N Riverfront Dallas 75207
Phone: 214-653-3600
Phone: 214-653-3528

CAUSE NUMBER: _____

STATE OF TEXAS

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IN THE JUSTICE COURT

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VS.

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PRECINCT 2, PLACE 1

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DEFENDANT

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DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

APPLICATION FOR PEACE BOND

I (*affiant*) _____, do solemnly swear that I have good reason to believe, and do believe, that (*who the complaint is against*) _____, Defendant, has threatened to commit and is about to commit an offense against (*the party who the offense is about to be committed against*) _____, that Defendant, has threatened to commit and is about to commit, in Dallas County, Texas, the offense of:

I believe this information to be true based upon my personal knowledge or observations (*explain how this information is known to be true*)

DEFENDANT'S INFORMATION

Defendant's Full Name

Email

Defendant's Street Address, City, State, Zip Code

Defendant's Primary Phone

Defendant's Secondary Phone

Other information about where the Defendant may be found.

AFFIANT'S INFORMATION

Affiant's Full Name

Email

Affiant's Street Address, City, State, Zip Code

Affiant's Primary Phone

Affiant's Secondary Phone

WITNESS'S INFORMATION

Witness' Full Name

Witness' Street Address, City, State, Zip Code

Witness' Primary Phone

Witness' Secondary Phone

Witness' Full Name

Witness' Street Address, City, State, Zip Code

Witness' Primary Phone

Witness' Secondary Phone

AGAINST THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Unsworn Declaration (Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 132.001)

My name and address are as follows:

Affiant's Full Name

Affiant's Street Address, City, State, Zip Code

Affiant's Primary Phone

Affiant's Secondary Phone

My date of birth is:

Month / Day / Year

I declare under penalty of perjury that all information in the attached document titled, **Application for Peace Bond**, is true and correct.

Signature

County, State of

Sign in (County of Signature) County, State of (State of signature)

Date