

NOTICE OF ANNUAL SECRET BALLOT ELECTIONS TO ELECT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE ELLIS COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD FOR THE 2023 TERM PURSUANT TO SECTION 1704.0535 OF THE TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE

Pursuant to Section 1704.0535 of the Texas Occupations Code, the Ellis County Bail Bond Board will conduct secret ballot elections at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 26, 2023 for the purpose of electing the members of the board who serve as the representative of the licensed bail bond sureties and the representative of the criminal defense bar.

- "(a) The board shall annually conduct a secret ballot election to elect the members of the board who serve as the representative of licensed bail bond sureties and the representative of the criminal defense attorneys by electing:
 - (1) A licensed bail bond surety or agent for a corporate surety board member; and
 - (2) A criminal defense attorney who is practicing in the county.
- (b) Each individual licensed in the county as a bail bond surety or agent for a corporate surety is entitled to cast one vote for each license held to elect the board member who is a surety or agent for a corporate surety.
- (c) Each attorney who has a principal place of business located in the county and who is not legally prohibited from representing criminal defendants in the county is entitled to cast one vote to elect the board member who is a criminal defense attorney.
- (d) Each elected justice of the peace in the county who is not legally prohibited from voting in an election for the purpose is entitled to cast one vote to elect the board member who is a justice of the peace." Tex. Occ. Code §1704.0535

The Public Hearing will be conducted on the **26**th **day of January 2023 at 1:15 p.m., in the Multipurpose Courtroom, Room #265**, Second Floor of the Ellis County Courts Building, 109 South Jackson Street, Waxahachie, Texas 75165. **You must be present at the meeting to cast a vote in the secret ballot elections.** Ballots will be distributed at the meeting after affirmation and signatures are obtained by each voter. A representative copy of the affirmation and ballot forms for each election are attached for reference. The Ellis County Bail Bond Board reserves the right to number the forms, or change the color or information of the form, to ensure that only the ballots distributed at the meeting are used to cast votes in the election.

Notice is hereby provided by posting this document at the Ellis County Historic Courthouse, 101 Main Street, Waxahachie, Texas 75165. Additionally, this document is posted on the official website of Ellis County, Texas. Furthermore, notice will be provided to potential voters as follows:

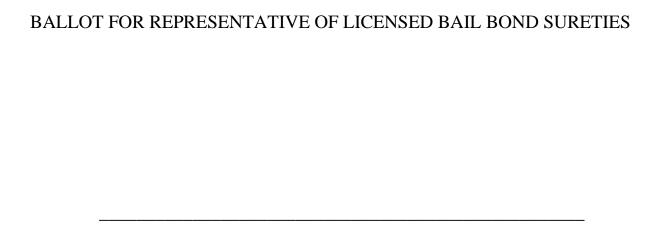
- 1) For individuals licensed in the county as a bail bond surety or agent for a corporate surety, this document will be emailed to the email address listed in their current application on file with the Board.
- 2) For attorneys who have a principal place of business located in the county and who are not legally prohibited from representing criminal defendants in the county, this document will be provided to the following individuals for distribution to the potential voters:
 - a. President of the Ellis County Bar Association.
 - b. President of the Ellis County Criminal Defense Bar Association.
 - c. Coordinators of the following Courts for distribution to their indigent appointment lists:
 - i. 40th Judicial District Court.
 - ii. 378th Judicial District Court.
 - iii. 443rd Judicial District Court.
 - iv. County Court at Law Number 1.
 - v. County Court at Law Number 2.
 - vi. County Court at Law Number 3.

Affirmation of an Individual Licensee

I,	, hereby affirm under the penalty of
perjury, that I am an individual lic	ensed in the county as a bail bond surety or agent
for a corporate surety and that I a	m only casting one vote on behalf of myself and
the corporate surety.	
Date	Signature
	Printed Name

Affirmation of an Attorney

I,	, hereby affirm under the penalty of
perjury, that I am an attorney who has a	principal place of business located in Ellis
County, I am not legally prohibited from	n representing criminal defendants in Ellis
County, and that I am only casting one v	ote.
Date	Signature
	Printed Name



BALLOT FOR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CRIMINAL DEFENSE ATTORNEYS