

## MCCULLOCH COUNTY DATA REPORTING IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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Chapter 60, CCP requires that information on arrests, prosecutions and the disposition of the case for persons arrested for Class B misdemeanor or greater violations of Texas criminal statutes be included in the CCH. The statute identifies many of the actual data elements. In addition, although not required by statute, CCH has traditionally included limited supervision data reported to DPS by TDCJ. Of special note is that Chapter 60, CCP creates an Incident Tracking Number (TRN) and Incident Tracking Number Suffix (TRS) as the keys for linking charges of each arrest charge can be tracked through the system, but established this capability requires each reporting entity to be extremely careful in its management of cases to include and pass along the TRN and TRS.

Chapter 60, CCP establishes a flow of information at the local level that is required for successful CCH reporting from each county. The statute places responsibility for reporting to CCH on specific local criminal justice agencies, as follows:

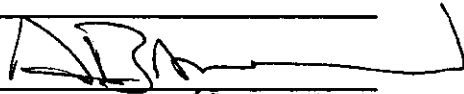

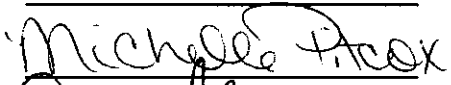
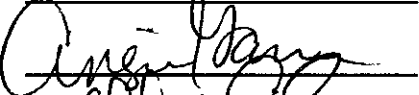

**Arresting Agencies:** The police department and sheriff's department that arrests a person for a Class B misdemeanor or higher violation of a Texas statute is required by Ch. 60, CCP to report that event to DPS within seven days. The report, if on paper, must be on the Criminal History Reporting for (CR-43) created by DPS. The report must include the arrested person's fingerprints, the TRN and other data required by statute. If available, electronic transmission of the data is the preferred method. A critical component of successful reporting is cooperation within the county. A large part of that cooperation is each reporting agency passing the TRN and TRS to the next level. The arresting agency needs to send the TRN and TRS to the prosecutor, as indicated below.

**Prosecutor:** Chapter 60, CCP requires that any County Attorney, District Attorney, or other Prosecutor receiving a class B misdemeanor or greater offense must report to DPS the decision to accept, reject, change, or add to the charge for trial. As with arresting agencies, prosecutors may report on paper or electronically, including the TRN as received from the arresting agency.

**District and County Clerks:** Chapter 60, CCP requires the District and County Clerks whose courts try class B misdemeanor or greater violations of Texas statutes must report the disposition of the case to DPS. The clerks are dependent upon receiving the TRN and TRS from the prosecutor. The reports may be reported on paper or electronically.

The undersigned members of the advisory board pledge to cooperate in compiling the data required by law and forwarding the appropriate information to agencies in the county and to DPS. We also agree to communicate with one another and problems or discrepancies that occur in compiling the reports.

LOCAL DATA ADVISORY BOARD

	SIGN	DATE
Sheriff- Earl Howell	_____	_____
Jail Sgt.- Beth Williams	_____	_____
District Attorney- Amos Barton		5-26-10
County Attorney- Mark Marshall		5-18-10
District Clerk- Michelle Pitcox		5-18-10
County Clerk- Angie Garner, Deputy Clerk		5-18-10
Brady Police Chief- Charlie Derrick		05-26-10

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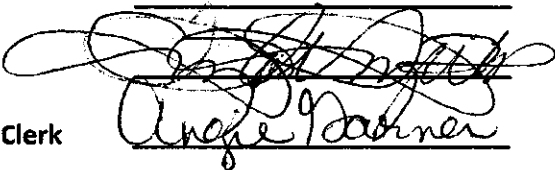
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District Clerk- Michelle Pitcox

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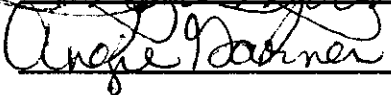
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County Clerk- Tina Smith



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