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# THE STATE OF TEXAS

## Statement of Appointed Officer

(Please type or print legibly)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward to secure my appointment or confirmation thereof, so help me God.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Office to Which Appointed

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

Sworn to and subscribed before me by affiant on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Person Administering Oath

*(municipal court seal)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

**Editor's Note:** File with your city before filing the Oath of Office.

# THE STATE OF TEXAS

## Statement of Elected Officer

(Please type or print legibly)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected, so help me God.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Office to Which Appointed

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

Sworn to and subscribed before me by affiant on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Person Administering Oath

*(municipal court seal)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

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**IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**Oath of Office**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_ of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and the laws of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Affiant

**Sworn to and subscribed** before me by affiant on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

*(municipal court seal)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Person Administering Oath

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

**Editor's Note:** File with records of your office.

**OATH FOR INTERPRETER FOR DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING JUROR, DEFENDANT, OR WITNESS (Art. 38.31, C.C.P)**

**OATH FOR INTERPRETER FOR DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING (JUROR) (DEFENDANT) (WITNESS)**

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, am a qualified interpreter for the deaf who holds a current legal certificate issued by the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf or a court interpreter certificate issued by the Board of Evaluation of Interpreters at the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services.

I do swear or affirm that I will make a true interpretation to the (juror) (person accused) (person being examined) of all the proceedings (and deliberations of the jury) in this case in a language that he/she understands; and that I shall repeat said deaf person's statements, questions, and answers to counsel, the court, or the jury, in the English language, in my best skill and judgment.

(I shall not influence or attempt to influence or give my personal views regarding any part of the proceedings or the evidence presented at this trial to any juror or jurors and shall not divulge to any person any part of the jury's deliberations under penalty of perjury.)"

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Judge)(Court Bailiff)(Court Clerk), Municipal Court  
City of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

**OATH FOR LANGUAGE INTERPRETER (Art. 38.30, C.C.P.)**

**OATH FOR A LANGUAGE INTERPRETER**

“I, \_\_\_\_\_, (am a state licensed interpreter for) (am not a state licensed interpreter, but I have experience, training, or education in the) \_\_\_\_\_ language.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do swear (or affirm) that I will truly and correctly interpret for the court, jury, attorneys, defendant, and the person being examined in all of the proceedings in this case into the language the witness (or the accused) understands, and I will repeat the statements made by said witness (or said accused) in the English language to the best of my skill and judgment (so help me God).

I shall not influence or attempt to influence or give my personal views regarding any part of the proceedings or the evidence presented at this trial to the witness (or the accused).”

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Judge)(Court Bailiff)(Court Clerk), Municipal Court  
City of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

**Editor’s Note:** Courts in cities located in counties that have less than 50,000 population are not required to have a state licensed interpreter, but the interpreter is subject to the Texas Rules of Evidence relating to the qualifications of an expert. In a county of 50,000 or more, if the language needed is not Spanish and a licensed interpreter is not available within 75 miles of the court, the court may swear in a non-licensed interpreter subject to the Texas Rules of Evidence relating to the qualifications of an expert. Sec. 57.002, G.C. A qualified telephone interpreter may be sworn in if an interpreter is not available to appear in person before a court or if the only available interpreter is not considered to possess adequate interpreting skills for the particular situation or is unfamiliar with the use of slang. A “qualified telephone interpreter” means a telephone service that employs (1) a licensed court interpreter, licensed by the State of Texas under Section 57.001, G.C.; or (2) a federally certified court interpreter. Art. 38.30, C.C.P.