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| IN RE: ALL APPLICATIONS FOR        | } | IN PROBATE COURTS      |
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| DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP FILED IN | } |                        |
|                                    | } | NUMBERS ONE AND TWO OF |
| TARRANT COUNTY PROBATE COURTS      | } |                        |
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| ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2008       | } | TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS  |

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER


The Courts, on their own motion, enter this administrative order regarding the payment of Attorneys Ad Litem appointed in applications for determination of heirship. This order shall apply to each application for determination of heirship filed on or after January 1, 2008.

TPC §53(c) provides that an attorney ad litem be appointed to represent the interests of unknown heirs.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, for all applications to determine heirship filed on or after January 1, 2008, the clerk of the court shall collect a deposit in the amount of \$400.00, with administrative fee waived, in every cause in which an application to determine heirship is filed pursuant to Chapter III of the Texas Probate Code or in which an application for a declaratory judgment determining heirship is filed pursuant to Chapter 37 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code. This deposit shall be held by the clerk of the court for the payment of the fees of the attorney ad litem upon a proper order directing the taxing of the same as costs in the proceeding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all Attorneys Ad Litem appointed pursuant hereto shall be required to follow the Due Diligence Checklist and other materials provided by the court in which the Heirship Determination is pending.

EFFECTIVE this the First day of January, 2008.

  
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 STEVE M. KING, JUDGE  
 TARRANT COUNTY PROBATE COURT ONE

  
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 PATRICK W. FERCHILL, JUDGE  
 TARRANT COUNTY PROBATE COURT TWO

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