



DISTRICT CLERK THOMAS A. WILDER

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A message from the

District Clerk



Dear Legal Professionals:

Hopefully, everyone is warmed up from the cold snap, and we're headed into springtime weather.

Many projects are in various stages of completion across our four courts' buildings including computer software enhancement and replacing our JIMS Civil, Family, Juvenile and Accounting systems. Criminal software is completed.

Construction plans for better security for our deputies are underway. Although some are still in the planning stages, it's a real possibility that our long-held dreams for better, more secure working conditions are going to occur.

The external elevators should be completed by summertime according to my most recent information. This project will alleviate the elevator wait issues in the Justice Center that have existed for decades. Better security for judges and court personnel will be achieved upon completion.

Other projects will be submitted to Commissioners Court for funding. Hopefully, we will be able to get money for the security enhancements I am approving today.

Best wishes to all and let us know what we can do to make your work life and relationship with the District Clerk's office better.

Regards,

Tom Wilder



Web Access to Court Records
Go to
<https://dcsa.tarrantcounty.com>
to apply today!

Important Dates

County Holidays

March 31	Tarrant County Holiday
April 3	Good Friday
May 25	Memorial Day
June 19	Juneteenth



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E-Filing Return For Correction Reports

We have provided e-filing reports below, by section, for FY 2026. Our staff continues to work diligently to process all e-filing in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please refer to the detailed comments in the returned for correction email from your point of contact. For more information regarding reasons a clerk may return an envelope for correction, please visit section 4.8.4 on the Technology Standards PDF located on the Judicial Committee on Information Technology [website](#).

DEPARTMENT	INITIAL	INITIAL REJ.	SUBSEQUENT	SUBSEQUENT REJ.	TOT ACCEPT	TOTAL REJ.	GRAND TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
Civil	3,825	499	41,312	3,449	45,137	3,948	49,085	8.75%
Tax	1,602	20	4,765	202	6,367	222	6,589	3.49%
Family	2,802	756	22,758	2,384	25,560	3,140	28,700	12.28%
AG	725	22	3,148	193	3,873	215	4,088	5.55%
Felony / Civil	407	129	1,763	55	2,170	184	2,354	8.48%
Criminal	0	0	14,858	475	14,858	475	15,333	3.20%
GRAND TOTALS	9,361	1,426	88,604	6,758	97,965	8,184	106,149	8.35%

Welcome New Judges!

We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome a few new District Judges and new Associate Judges to Tarrant County!

236th District Court
Judge Dusty Fillmore

360th District Court
Associate Lauren Melhart

Employee Spotlight

Laura Nunez

We're proud to spotlight Laura Nunez, who joined the courts in April 2022 as an Associate Court Clerk supporting Family, 325th, and 231st. Her leadership and dedication quickly stood out, leading to her promotion in July 2025 to Family Law Court Leader. Laura brings a rich background shaped by eight years of service in the U.S. Navy and nearly a decade as a Rental Car Sales Lead in Oahu, Hawaii. She earned her bachelor's degree in Political Science with a minor in Justice Administration from Hawaii Pacific University, fueling her passion for the legal field.

A Fort Worth native, Laura returned to Texas in 2021 to be closer to family and pursue her career in law. She and her husband, Reggie, have been married for 15 years and are raising their toddler, Marcus, who turns two in June. Outside of work, Laura loves spending time with family, taking Marcus to the park or mommy and me classes, and baking with her six nieces and nephews.



E-Filing Birth Certificates Under HB 1973

Effective September 1, 2025, Texas Family Code § 102.008 now requires a certified birth certificate to be filed under seal in SAPCR cases. Title IV D agencies are exempt. The change in law made by this Act applies to a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

The petitioner shall additionally submit to the court a certified copy of the child's birth certificate if available to the petitioner. If a certified copy of the child's birth certificate is not available to the petitioner, the court at any time during the pendency of the suit may request another party to whom a certified copy of the child's birth certificate is available to submit a copy to the court. A certified copy of the child's birth certificate submitted under this subsection must be submitted for filing under seal and filed separately from any other document.

Please make sure the certified copy is submitted as a standalone PDF labeled clearly as "Certified Birth Certificate-Sealed".

- E File SAPCR petition as usual.
- Upload the certificate PDF separately.
- Select the "File Under Seal" option. The court will seal and make the image unavailable.

H.B. 1973 applies to a suit affecting the parent-child relationship that is filed on or after the bill's effective date. A suit affecting the parent-child relationship filed before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the suit was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

Welcome Our New Clerks!

We are delighted to announce several new additions to our clerk team! These new team members bring diverse backgrounds and fresh perspectives to our office. Please take a moment to introduce yourself when you see them in the hallways. We look forward to the valuable contributions each will make to their respective departments!

Civil Section



Left to Right: Erika Bellard, Misty Knadle, Abbie Moore, Jennifer Robinson, Jennifer Paslay

Juvenile Section



Left to Right: Katea Schaaf, Lidia Guerrero

Family Law Section



Top Row Left to Right: Maria Aguilar, Ashley McWashington. Front Row Left to Right: Sophia Graft, David Nicholl



Top Row Left to Right: Clarisa Siquefield, Brandy Aldaco. Front Row Left to Right: Amanda Harness, Sunpreet Kaur



Top Row Left to Right: Harlie Rutherford, Alyssa Ramos. Front Row Left to Right: Guadalupe Arellano, Klarissa Hernandez

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Criminal Section



Andrea de Poo Lamadrid



Chania Brown



Connie Williams



Erik Bedoya



Guadalupe Velasco



Jocelyn Mauricio



Jose Lozano



Laila Brown



Lorena Manriquez



Mariana Estrada



Samantha Gonzalez

Contact your District Clerk's Office



The Felony/Civil Division

The Felony/Civil section of the District Clerk's office handles Expunctions, Non-Disclosures, Occupational Driver's License, Seizures and Bond Forfeiture cases.

It is located on the 3rd floor of the Tim Curry Justice Center. The Felony/Civil section currently accepts electronically filed documents for Expunctions, Non-Disclosures, Felony Occupational Drivers Licenses, Bond Forfeiture (NISI's) and Seizure cases only.

For filing fee information please refer to the District Clerk website for the most current fees.

Visit us online!

E-Filing Questions?

Call for assistance

Family:	817-212-6954
Civil:	817-212-6953
Criminal:	817-884-1342
Felony/Civil:	817-884-2508

Felony/Civil Filing Fees

Our business hours are
Monday - Friday 8am - 5pm.

During these hours you can reach the
Felony/Civil clerks for assistance.

Administrative Felony/Civil Clerk
817-884-1156

Auxiliary
Lead Auxiliary Clerk
817-884-2514

Expunctions
817-884-1231

Seizures
817-884-2508

Family

Infoline:	817-212-1265
Filedsk:	817-212-2576
Document Production:	817-884-1129
Disposed Records:	817-884-1880
Juvenile:	817-838-4645

Civil / Tax

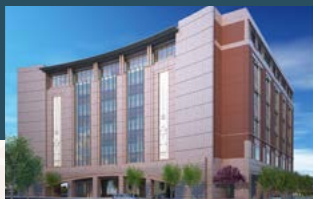
Infoline:	817-884-1240
Filedsk:	817-884-2536
Document Production:	817-884-1591
Tax:	817-212-7207

Locations



**Tim Curry Criminal
Justice Center**

401 W Belknap Street
Fort Worth, TX 76196



**Tom Vandergriff Civil
Courts Building**

100 N Calhoun Street
Fort Worth, TX 76196



**Scott D. Moore Juvenile
Justice Center**

2701 Kimbo Road, East Building
Fort Worth, TX 76111



Family Law Center

200 E Weatherford Street
Fort Worth, TX 76196