



SHACKELFORD COUNTY

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
JUDGE JAMES BREEDEN
COUNTY WIDE
POST OFFICE BOX 2211
225 S. MAIN
ALBANY, TEXAS 76430
325/762-2232 EXT. 1

COURTESY LETTER

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS-IT MIGHT SAVE YOU MONEY

YOUR SIGNATURE on the citation is your written promise to appear before the Judge. This may be done completely by mail using this letter. If you fail to contact the Judge on or before the appearance date an additional charge of VIOLATE WRITTEN PROMISE TO APPEAR will be filed, which will result in an additional fine of up to \$300.00.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR IN COURT AS REQUIRED BY LAW, YOU MAY BE DENIED THE RENEWAL OF YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE AND ASSESSED AN ADDITIONAL FEE. ALSO, A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST MAY BE ISSUED AND PLACED IN A STATEWIDE DATABASE MAKING YOU SUBJECT TO IMMEDIATE ARREST ANYWHERE IN TEXAS.

If you live outside of Texas and fail to comply with the terms of the citation, your drivers license in your home state will be subject to suspension until you comply.

ALL PLEAS, MOTIONS, OR REQUESTS TO THE COURT MUST BE MADE IN WRITING. A PHONE CALL IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN APPEARANCE IN COURT.

A plea of GUILTY or NO CONTEST indicates your desire to waive an appearance for trial and will result in a fine assessment indicated on the back of this letter. Include a copy of the citation with a MONEY ORDER OR CASHIERS CHECK (NO CASH or PERSONAL CHECKS) made payable to JUSTICE COURT in the proper amount with this letter. If the violation of your citation is not listed on the back of this letter, contact the Judge for fine assessment.

A plea of NOT GUILTY means you desire to be heard at trial. Include a copy of the citation with this letter indicating your desire to be heard by the Judge or by a jury at trial. You will be notified by mail of your court date. You must be present in court on your court date ready to give testimony.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR PLEA BELOW, SIGN AND DATE THIS LETTER AND RETURN IT WITH A COPY OF THE CITATION.

I hereby enter my plea knowingly and voluntarily.

_____ I hereby enter a plea of GUILTY and waive my right to a trial by jury.

_____ I hereby enter a plea of NO CONTEST and waive my right to a trial by jury.

_____ I hereby enter a plea of NOT GUILTY and desire a trial by the JUDGE _____ or a trial by JURY _____.

Signature of defendant

Date

SHACKELFORD COUNTY JUSTICE COURT FINE ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

VIOLATION:	FINE (INCLUDING COURT COST)
() Speeding	\$9.00 per mile over speed limit +\$98.10 Court Cost
() Unsafe speed or fail to control speed (accident)	\$200.00
() No drivers license (when unlicensed)	\$175.00
() Invalid drivers license	\$298.00
() Expired drivers license	\$159.00
() Violate drivers license restriction	\$175.00
() Ran stop sign or red light	\$156.00
() Fail to yield right of way (R.O.W.)	\$145.00
() Fail to yield right of way (R.O.W.) (accident)	\$200.00
() Wrong side of road violations	\$151.00
() Equipment violations (lights, turn signals, etc.)	\$145.00
() Display expired license plates	\$140.00
() Operate unregistered vehicle	\$150.00
() Expired inspection certificate	\$150.00
() No inspection certificate	\$160.00
() Driver or rider not secured by safety belt	\$150.00
() Unrestrained child	\$210.00
() Violate promise to appear	\$309.00
() No liability insurance (1st offense)	\$360.00
() No liability insurance (2nd offense)	\$660.00
() All commercial drivers license violations	contact the Court
() All violations not listed	contact the Court

**ANY CDL LICENSE HOLDER OR EXCEEDING SPEED 25 MPH OR MORE
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR DSC**

CASHIERS CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY, NO PERSONAL CHECKS!!!!

WE DO ACCEPT MOST MAJOR CREDIT CARDS AND CREDIT CARD BY TELEPHONE – ADD \$5.00

DRIVING SAFETY COURSE REQUEST

The following Affidavit must be signed and notarized before the Court will consider your request. Payment must be in the form of a MONEY ORDER or CASHIERS CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO THE JUSTICE COURT **NO PERSONAL CHECKS!** MUST PROVIDE COURT WITH COPY OF DRIVERS LICENSE AND INSURANCE.

AFFIDAVIT

Before me on this day personally appeared the undersigned, who after being sworn, or affirmed, on oath, deposes and says that in compliance with Section 45.0511 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure:

1. I HEREBY ENTER A PLEA OF NO CONTEST to the offense charged, waive my right to a trial by jury, and ask the Court to grant me 90 days to send proof that I have completed the driving safety course approved by the Texas Education Agency.
2. I understand that I must submit this request with a non-refundable fee of \$108.10, payable only by money order, on or before the appearance date on my citation.
3. I currently hold a valid Texas drivers license or permit.
4. I have not taken a driving safety course within the past 12 months preceding the date of the offense charged for the purpose of dismissing a traffic citation in the State of Texas, nor am I currently enrolled in a driving safety course under this section.
5. I understand that I must provide the Court with proof of liability insurance coverage (or financial responsibility) as required by Chapter 601 of the Texas Transportation Code, when I submit my request.

SIGNED THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 20__

Defendant's Signature

On the above date, the defendant appeared and swore or affirmed, on Affidavit, under oath, that the information set forth herein is true and correct.

Notary Public, State of Texas