



STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF BASTROP §

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BASTROP
AND
CAROLINE A. MCCLIMON, JD

This agreement is effective the 10th day of March 2023, between the City of Bastrop, acting through its duly elected City Council of the City of Bastrop and Caroline A. McClimon, JD. as follows:

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted to the City Council through **The City Charter** and the laws of the State of Texas, the City Council of the City of Bastrop has appointed Caroline A. McClimon, JD. as Presiding Municipal Court Judge; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into a written agreement setting forth all terms, conditions, and obligations of the parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises, the parties agree as follows:

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I. TERM

1.1 The term of this Agreement shall be for two years to run for the portion of such unexpired term as may remain at the time of the appointment, unless sooner terminated as provided by the terms of this Agreement.

2. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

2.1 The purpose of this Agreement is to engage Judge. McClimon, for the express purpose of serving the City of Bastrop, Texas, as the City's Presiding Municipal Court Judge.

2.2 Judge McClimon shall perform all duties of the Municipal Court Judge of the City of Bastrop, Texas, as set forth in the current or revised **Charter of the City of Bastrop** as required by **The Code of the City of Bastrop, as amended**, by applicable State law, as it now exists or may be amended in the future, and the **Texas Code of Judicial Conduct**.

2.3 These duties include but are not limited to:
• Preside over Municipal Court for all criminal class C Misdemeanors, criminal jury and nonjury trials, pre-trial conferences, juvenile warnings, and other cases appropriately tried in Municipal Court

- Preside over civil truant conduct hearings/trials.
- Maintain a central docket of all cases filed in the City of Bastrop.
- Establish and maintain Court Security panel.
- Review and/or deny requests for continuances.
- Determine innocence or culpability (when hearing cases without a jury) and levies fine commensurate with the violation in such manner to preserve equity and uniformity in the application of existing laws and ordinances.
- Supervise the administration of juror notification and direct jurors in trial cases on their role in the interpretation and application of law.
- Be available, or have adequate associate judge expertise available, on a 24/7 basis, to review and/or sign complaints, summons, subpoenas, affidavits for search and arrest warrants, appeal bonds, etc.
- Support court activities with Municipal Court Clerk and City Prosecutor and other city departments.
- Review legislation and current case law affecting offenses and the criminal justice system and implement procedures to ensure compliance. Perform legal research as needed and determine fine amounts.
- Conduct hearings (including property, emergency protective order, code enforcement, dangerous dog, etc.).
- Daily jail magistrations – rights warnings, set bonds
- Juvenile hearings.
- Indigent hearings.
- Approve/Deny Personal Recognizance (PR) Bond requests.
- Issue warrants (search, arrest, mental health), summons, magistrate warnings, etc.
- Primarily responsible for the review and signing of all paperwork prepared by court clerks.

- 2.4 The City of Bastrop's regular Municipal Court shall be held at Bastrop Municipal Court located at 104 Grady Tuck Lane, Bastrop, Texas 78602. However, the City of Bastrop reserves the right to designate days of the week, hours, and alternate locations where the Municipal Court may be held in the event that facility should not be available.
- 2.5 The City Council shall have the power to create and establish additional Municipal Courts, with the same or separate jurisdictions, and to appoint an additional Magistrate for each Court so established.
- 2.6 Judge. McClimon agrees to provide prompt, courteous, efficient, and professional services in the performance of his duties.
- 2.7 Judge McClimon shall deal with the administrative services of Municipal Court solely through the Municipal Court Clerk or the City Manager.