

## In the Court of Appeals Second Appellate District of Texas at Fort Worth

## DRESS CODE FOR COURTROOM PROCEEDINGS

## A. Courtroom Participants (i.e., attorneys and their staff, parties, and party representatives)

Courtroom participants are expected to wear appropriate business attire in the courtroom. Courtroom participants are expected to dress neatly and to exercise common sense in selecting clothing and footwear appropriate for court. Appropriate business attire generally includes the following:

- 1. A business suit;
- 2. A dress;
- 3. A skirt with a blouse or sweater or tailored slacks with a professional blouse; or
- 4. A sport coat with dress slacks, a collared dress shirt, and a tie.

Courtroom participants not wearing appropriate business attire may be excluded from participating in courtroom proceedings.

## **B.** Courtroom Visitors

Dress appropriately for court. DO NOT wear shorts, tank tops, ball caps, or T-shirts. Compliance with the participant rules above is encouraged but not required. Collared shirts, slacks, nice jeans (no holes or fraying in fabric), and other business casual attire is generally acceptable. The court reserves the right to exercise its judgment on the propriety of attire on a case-by-case basis and to make orders accordingly.

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