November 4, 2024

Good morning Joel,

Following is my response to the third follow-up policy monitoring review of Dawson County's indigent defense systems dated October 2024.

Finding #1. I have contacted the Sheriff's office and I will now receive all requests for indigent defense, District Court and County Court, so I can make timely determinations of indigence in misdemeanor cases.

Finding #2. I will rule on all requests for counsel in a timely manner prior to procuring a waiver of counsel for the purpose of speaking with the County Attorney as required by Article 1.051.

Thank you so much for all your help. It is always a pleasure working with you. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Foy O'Brien Dawson County Judge