

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DISTRICT COURT CASES FILED

Marcus Potter and others vs Billy R. Kilpatrick and others; easement.

COUNTY COURT DISPOSITIONS Sept. 2, 1997

Robert Joe Kroat, Wharton, motion to revoke probation filed. Defendant was previously placed on probation for possession of marijuana; pled true to motion; ordered to terminate probation, sentenced to 14 days in jail.

David Hendrick, Houston, driving while intoxicated (DWI) 12-30-95, I-10, investigated by Colorado County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Deputy J.R. Pavlick. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,500 plus court costs, one year probation.

Juan Reyes, San Antonio, DWI, 3-18-

97 on I-10, investigated by CCSO Deputy Ben Vlach. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$750, one year probation.

Rudy Leon Glenn, Columbus, DWI-2nd offense, 1-22-97, Columbus, investigated by CCSO Deputy Mike Schleider. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,500 plus court costs, two years probation, sentenced to 15 days in jail.

Verna Johnson, Garwood, assault, 12-27-97, City of Eagle Lake, investigated by Eagle Lake Police Department (ELPD) Officer H.C. Risk. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$2,000 (\$1,500 probated pending successful completion of 26 weeks of Family Violence counseling), plus court costs, one year probation.

Brett Hollman, Columbus, Parks & Wildlife, 3-20-97, Mentz, investigated by Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

(TPWD) Game Warden David Perry. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$500 plus court costs, one year deferred adjudication.

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Robert Black Jr., Eagle Lake, driving while license suspended (DWLS), 5-28-97, 700 block of Main, Eagle Lake, investigated by ELPD Officer Tim Crume. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$500 plus court costs, one year probation.

Jose Obregon, Columbus, terroristic threat, 5-31-97, Rt. 3, Columbus, investigated by CCSO Deputy Doug Peterson. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,000 plus court costs, three days in jail (credit for time served).

Gary Wayne Girndt, Weimar, DWI, 6-7-97, 300 block of East Main, Eagle Lake, investigated by ELPD Officer Crume. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,000 plus court costs, one year probation.

Jimmy Foster, Eagle Lake, assault, 3-14-97, City of Eagle Lake, investigated by ELPD Sgt. Jack Knox. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$2,000 (\$1,750 probated pending successful completion of Family Violence counseling), plus court costs, one year probation.

Kerronda Foster, Eagle Lake, assault, 3-14-97, City of Eagle Lake, investigated by ELPD Sgt. Knox. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$2,000 (\$1,750 probated pending successful completion of Family Violence counseling), plus court costs, one year probation.

Joel Estrada Medina, Columbus, DWI, 8-2-97, at Hwy. 90 and Oak Cluster, Columbus, investigated by Columbus Police Department (CPD) Officer M.R. Edman. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,000 plus court costs, one year probation.

Christobalito Sierra, Weimar, DWI, 6-14-97, 1400 block of Fannin, Columbus, investigated by CCSO Deputy Peterson. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,000 plus court costs, one year probation.

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Guadalupe Bolanos, Rosenberg, possession of marijuana, 8-15-97, IH-10, Columbus, investigated by CCSO Steve Scott. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$500 plus court costs, 33 days in jail (all credited for time served).

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David Middley, Bay City, DWI, 7-16-97, 300 block of Walnut, Columbus, investigated by CCSO Deputy Gene Rebel. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$750 and given one year probation. A \$400 special fee was paid in lieu of community service.

Derreck Kirby, Weimar, unlawfully carrying a weapon, 4-27-97, 206 N. St. Andrews, Weimar, investigated by Weimar Police Department (WPD) Officer Bill Felts. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$500 plus court costs, six months deferred adjudication.

Darrell King, Weimar, motion to revoke probation. Defendant was previously placed on probation for evading arrest. Defendant pled true to motion; sentenced to 49 days in county jail.

Richard Raymond Rushing, Austin, DWI, 5-9-97 at I-10, investigated by CCSO Deputy Rebel. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$750 plus court costs, one year probation.

Antonio Mata, El Campo, DWI, 5-30-97, Hwy. 90E, Alleyton, investigated by

CCSO Deputy Rebel. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,000 plus court costs, 103 days in jail (all credited for time served).

Russell Psenick, Columbus, criminal trespassing, 4-5-97, 306 Taylor, Alleyton, investigated by CCSO Deputy D.C. Peikert. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$1,500 (\$1,000 probated pending successful completion of Anger Management classes), plus court costs, one year probation, complete Anger Management Course.

Charles Lester Murray III, San Marcos, DWLS, 7-6-97, I-10, Columbus, investigated by Department of Public Safety (DPS) Trooper Jeff Pickett. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$500 plus court costs, six months deferred adjudication.

Phillip Thomas Sparks, Houston, DWI, 6-14-97, Hwy. 90E, Alleyton, investigated by CCSO Deputy Gene Rebel. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$2,500 plus court costs, one year in county jail (probated over two years).

Christopher Wilson, Weimar, possession of prohibited weapon, 5-30-97, City of Weimar, investigated by CCSO Deputy Peikert. Defendant pled guilty; fined \$500 plus court costs, three days in jail (credit for time served).

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Eleuterio G. Aguilera, Laredo, failure to identify, 7-15-97, I-10 East-bound at 681 mile marker.

Kevin Caro, Eagle Lake, terroristic threat, 4-2-97, Hwy. 90, approximately four miles west of Glidden.

Richard Gregory Chaurmier, Bellaire, DWI-Class B, 8-4-97, I-10, West-bound at 695 mile marker.

Gloria Delgado, Eagle Lake, DWI, 8-14-97, FM 102 at CR 194 (Ramsey Rd.). William Clinton Gann Jr., Kingwood, DWLS, 8-7-97, I-10 at mile marker 684.

Roy Lilo Gutierrez, Eagle Lake, false

report to police officer, 4-20-97 at ELPD. Lee Allan Koberstein, San Antonio, DWLS, 8-5-97, I-10 West-bound, 698 mile marker.

Michael Paul Maltbie, Austin, DWLS, 8-5-97, I-10 West-bound, 696 mile marker.

Jose I. Rizo Patron, Royal Palm Beach, Florida, possession of marijuana, 5-8-97, I-10, 680 mile marker.

Marcial Reyna, Stafford, unlawfully carrying a weapon, 7-5-97, I-10 East-bound, 693 mile marker.

Marcial Reyna, Stafford, DWI, occurring 7-5-97, I-10 East-bound, 693 mile marker.

Melvin Thomas, La Grange, DWI-open container, 8-3-97, State Highway 71, nine miles west of Columbus.

DIVORCES FILED

Sandra Susan Jahn and Glenn Harvey Jahn.

DIVORCES GRANTED

Curtis J. Lasley and Dianne F. Noel Lasley.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Roger Wendell Fry and Deidre Annette Cunningham; filed 9-2-97.

Keith Allen Potter and Tara Michelle Weishuhn; 9-3-97.

Eric Wayne Garza and Kristie Yvonne Vargas; 9-5-97.

Timothy Scott Crume and Eloiza Castillo Rangel; 9-5-97.

Omar Estrada Llanos and Connie Sue Soto; 9-9-97.

Scott Allen Jones and Tiffany Che' Crane; 9-9-97.

Jason Patrick Eggemeyer and Misty Dawn Smidovce; 9-15-97.

Johnny Robert Guzman Jr. and Jill Chereke Kallus; 9-15-97.

Millers celebrate 60 years together

Evelyn and Oscar Miller were married Sept. 5, 1937, in Seguin.

On Sunday, Sept. 7, 1997, they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a celebration of Mass at the Parish of Nativity Church in Eagle Lake.

Oscar and Evelyn were joined by their many friends and family members including Bennie of Katy, Loretta and Henry Kretschmar of Sugar Land, Janelle and Todd Mascheck of Eagle Lake, Kay Kretschmar Messer of Missouri City, Blanche and Joe Pater of Richmond and Georgia and Ben Hrachovy of Ellinger.

Father Eddie Winkler presented the couple with a special certificate commemorating their 60 year union.

After Mass, the family went to Evelyn and Oscar's for coffee. The couple received many cards of congratulations and their children presented them with a special gift.

Later, everyone gathered at Los Amigos Restaurant in East Bernard for lunch, where they were joined by Father Winkler and Lucille and Henry Kretschmar Sr. of Eagle Lake.

A grand time was had by all. Evelyn and Oscar wish to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, calls and prayers they received and a special thanks to all those who helped them celebrate such a momentous occasion.



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Highlights

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Sharp, who is running for lieutenant governor.

•The State Board of Education Certification is looking into whether state law allows it to conduct criminal history checks on student teachers in training.

John Cole, president of the Texas

Did You Know...

Naples, Italy, is the birthplace of pizza, which a baker at the royal court may have invented in the 1700s.

Federation of Teachers, said it would be better to conduct the checks before a student teacher enters training.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS
OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 4, 1997

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 36 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow a person to hold the position of municipal judge in more than one municipality.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow a person who holds the office of municipal court judge to hold at the same time more than one civil office for which the person receives compensation."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 43 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to limit the maximum annual increase in homestead appraisals for each year since the most recent tax appraisal. The amendment would also permit the legislature to allow the governing body of a school district to elect to apply the law providing for the transfer of the age-65-and-older school property tax freeze to the person's new homestead, if the move to the new residence homestead occurred before the law took effect.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to limit increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads for ad valorem taxation and to permit a school district to calculate the school property tax freeze applicable to the residence homestead of an elderly person or the surviving spouse of an elderly person in accordance with the law authorizing the transfer of the school property tax freeze to a different homestead regardless of whether that law was in effect at the time the person established the person's homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 45 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to authorize counties, cities, towns, and other local taxing entities to grant exemptions or other forms of ad valorem tax relief on property on which approved water conservation initiatives have been implemented.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to permit a taxing unit to grant an exemption or other relief from ad valorem taxes on property on which a water conservation initiative has been implemented."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 104 proposes an

amendment to update the Texas Constitution by deleting duplicate numbering in its provisions and removing certain of its obsolete portions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment eliminating duplicate numbering in and certain obsolete provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 19 proposes an amendment to allow the Supreme Court of Texas to hold sessions at any location in this state. Currently, the court is limited to holding sessions only at Austin, the seat of state government.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the supreme court to sit to transact business at any location in this state."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 39 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the current provision which provides that the board of the Texas Growth Fund may not invest money in a business unless the business has disclosed to the board whether it has any direct financial investment in or with South Africa or Namibia.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment allowing the Texas growth fund to continue to invest in businesses without requiring those businesses to disclose investments in South Africa or Namibia."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 17 proposes a constitutional amendment to create the Texas Water Development Fund II as a fund separate and distinct from the Texas Water Development Fund. The amendment would authorize the Texas Water Development Board to administer the fund and issue general obligation bonds for purposes of the fund under guidelines set forth in the amendment.

The amendment would also allow the Board to use loan repayments coming into the fund after the end of the fiscal year to make bond debt service payments, and would provide certain conditions for the flow of funds for repayment of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment relating to the authorization to the Texas Water Development Board to transfer existing bond authorizations for water

supply, water quality, flood control, or state participation from one category of use to another category to maximize the use of existing funds and relating to more efficient operation of the bond programs."

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 31 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize home equity lending, in which a loan could be secured by a lien against the borrower's homestead. The amendment would also establish several provisions providing for consumer protection in the home equity lending process.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The amendment to the Texas Constitution expanding the types of liens for home equity loans that a lender, with the homeowner's consent, may place against a homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 96 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to authorize a property tax of five cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts which are located in Harris County. The constitution currently authorizes a property tax of three cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts regardless of what county they are in.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize an ad valorem tax rate in rural fire prevention districts located in Harris County of five cents on each \$100 of taxable value of property."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 33 proposes a constitutional amendment to permanently dedicate monies from the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund (and its auxiliary fund) so that they are used only for assisting victims of crime and not for any other purpose. If an episode of mass violence occurred, however, money from the funds could be used to assist victims of the mass violence if all other sources of authorized emergency assistance were depleted first.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment designating the purposes for which money in the compensation to victims of crime fund and the compensation to victims of crime auxiliary fund may be used."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 59 proposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit the Legislature from authorizing additional state debt payable from the general revenue fund if the resulting annual debt service (the amount needed each year to make payments) would exceed five percent of the annual general revenue avail-

able over the last three fiscal years, excluding revenues constitutionally dedicated for purposes other than payment of state debt.

The term "additional state debt" does not include bonds that, although backed by the full faith and credit of the state, are reasonably expected to be paid from revenue sources other than the general revenue fund.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment limiting the amount of state debt payable from the general revenue fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 55 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide that if the Texas Supreme Court does not act on a motion for a rehearing within 180 days of the motion's filing, the motion is denied.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to establish a deadline for supreme court action on a motion for rehearing."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the Texas Tomorrow trust fund dedicated exclusively to the prepayment of tuition and fees for higher education. The amendment would guarantee that if there is not enough money during any fiscal year to pay the appropriate tuition and required fees, the needed money will be appropriated out of the first available money coming into the state treasury each fiscal year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to encourage persons to plan and save for young Texans' college education, to extend the full faith and credit of the state to protect the Texas tomorrow fund of the prepaid higher education tuition program, and to establish the Texas tomorrow fund as a constitutionally protected trust fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 83 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to set the official qualifications for constables.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of constables."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 4 de noviembre de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.

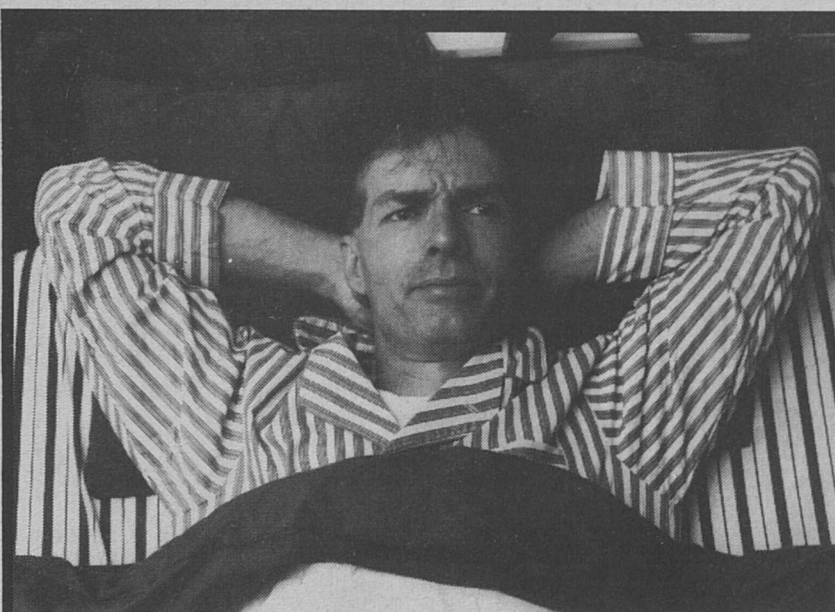
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Bible Verse of the Week

"The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want."

— Psalms 23:1

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Neddy Phillips



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