PRECINCT 3-1 COLLIN COUNTY

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Collin County Commissioners

FROM:

Judge Chuck Ruckel

DATE:

February 27, 2019

SUBJECT:

Technology Education and Conference

I would like to request a budget amendment in the amount of \$7,000.00 from the JP Technology Fund to the JP3-1 Technology Education and Conference travel budget.

As I am sure you are aware, JP3-1 has been chosen by the PEW Foundation in conjunction with the Supreme Court of Texas and National Center for State Courts to be a beta test site for Online Dispute Resolution. This is a great honor to Collin County and to this Court. If we prove this to be workable it could revolutionize the way court is handled and Collin County will be on the forefront of Court Technology.

In December 2018, it was highly recommended that we attend E-Courts conference in Las Vegas. While this conference was extremely informative and instrumental in us becoming the beta test site in Texas, it was very expensive. When we originally developed our budget this travel had not been included.

Therefore, I am requesting a total of \$7,000.00 be transferred from the JP Technology Fund to our Technology Education and Conference Budget. This amount will re-pay the cost of the Vegas trip as well as cover any additional travel required as the beta test evolves.

Thank you,

Judge Chuck Ruckel