State of Texas	§	Court Order
Collin County	§	2020-1169-11-23
Commissioners Court	§	

An order of the Collin County Commissioners Court changing the title of the office currently known as Justice of the Peace Precinct 3, Place 2 to Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 effective January 1, 2021.

Whereas, historically there have existed two Justices of the Peace for J.P. Precinct 3 of Collin County, with the two Justices of the Peace being designated by place as Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Place 1 and Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Place 2; and

Whereas, by Order passed July 8, 2019 this Court abolished the Office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 Place 1; and

Whereas, after December 31, 2020 there will only be one Justice of the Peace in Precinct 3; and

Whereas, continuing to use the title "Precinct 3, Place 2" creates confusion for the public and law enforcement, creates the potential for erroneous court filings, and is not uniform with the title in other Precincts.

Now, Therefore, be it ordered by the Commissioners Court of Collin County, Texas that:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein and made findings of fact;
- 2. Effective January 1, 2021, the official title of the current office of Justice of the Peace Precinct 3, Place 2 shall change to Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, with no reference to place number, and
- 3. This Order does **not** abolish the office of the remaining Justice of the Peace, nor does it create a new office in Precinct 3; rather, it merely changes the *name* of the remaining office to reflect the reality that there is only one Justice of the Peace in Precinct 3, and so there is no need to further describe the Office by reference to a place number; and
- 4. This Order does not grant any additional authority or powers to the Justice of the Peace and is solely to avoid confusion, prevent erroneous court filings, and to make the title uniform with the title used in the other three precincts;
- 5. This Order does not create a new term or start a new 4-year election cycle. The remaining Justice of the Peace for Precinct 3 will continue with his term to end at midnight December 31, 2022; and if he runs for another term of office, he will be running for a term that begins January 1, 2023; and
- 6. Prior to January 1, 2021, the outgoing Justice of the Peace in Precinct 3 (former Place 3-1) is requested to order the transfer of any pending cases before said outgoing Justice of the Peace to Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Place 2.

A motion was duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously by the court members in attendance during a regular session on November 23, 2020.

Chris Hill, County Judge

Not Present

Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct 1

Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct 2



Darrell Hale, Commissioner, Pct 3

Buncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct 4

ATTEST: Stacey Kemp, County Clerk