

## Re: re Email to Judge dated 6/15/21 #1092834

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1 message

Wed, Jun 16, 2021 at 11:35 AM

To: "Cantada, Grace (CCL)" < Grace Cantada@ccl.hctx.net>, Jim Kovach@ccl.hctx.net

Ms Cantada,

I am not looking to file neither a case nor a motion. I am looking for public records. You filed a post it note with my case and this was read into the record. I am looking for records like this. Pursuant to Rule 12, I need to directly reach out to the custodian of records which is the judge and not a clerk or assistant. Ask the OAC and they will tell you the same. Seeking records is *not* ex-parte communication.

12.2(e) Records custodian means the person with custody of a judicial record determined as follows: (1) The judicial records of a court with only one judge, such as any trial court, are in the custody of that judge. Judicial records pertaining to the joint administration of a number of those courts, such as the district courts in a particular county or region, are in the custody of the judge who presides over the joint administration, such as the local or regional administrative judge. (2) The judicial records of a court with more than one judge, such as any appellate court, are in the custody of the chief justice or presiding judge, who must act under this rule in accordance with the vote of a majority of the judges of the court. But the judicial records relating specifically to the service of one such judge or that judge's own staff are in the custody of that judge.

https://www.txcourts.gov/media/524153/rjac-rule-12.pdf

Please advise how my judicial records request is "ex-parte" communication?

Regards, John

On Wed, Jun 16, 2021 at 10:44 AM Cantada, Grace (CCL) < Grace Cantada@ccl.hctx.net> wrote:

The above email sent to the Judge dated 6/15/21 is considered an "ex parte communication".

You are not permitted to contact the Judge directly about your case. All correspondence regarding your case must be filed through the Harris County Clerk's Office.

PLEASE FOLLOW PROPER FILING PROCEDURES by visiting the Clerks' website at: https://www.cclerk.hctx.net/

If you are pro se (without attorney representation), you may file 3 different ways:

- 1) in person at 201 Caroline Street (place in drop box in front of the building on left side marked COUNTY CLERK)
  - MAKE SURE YOU HAVE DOCKET NUMBER AND CONTACT INFORMATION ON YOUR DOCUMENT
- 2) by mail and send to:

County Clerk/Attn: Court 2 Clerk

201 Caroline, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Room 300

Houston TX 77002

3) e-filing - see website for instructions or call 713-274-1357

You may request hearing by submission or via zoom.

You must file these documents: 1) your motion, 2) proposed order and 3) request for hearing.

- a) To request a hearing by Submission pick any Tuesday or Friday at 8:30am with 5 business days' notice to the clerk and all parties.
- b) To request a hearing via zoom contact the clerk for a specific date and time slot 713-274-1349

If you have any questions about your request for hearing, please call the clerks at 713-274-1349.

Please visit the court's website for answers to frequently asked questions at http://www.ccl.hctx.net/civil/2/default.htm

## **IMPORTANT MESSAGE:**

Due to recent developments regarding COVID 19, the health and safety of attorneys, their clients, the public and those who work in the courthouse are paramount. County Civil Court at Law No.2, Judge Jim F. Kovach, Presiding is currently hearing non jury trials via video conference. If you have a trial setting or a motion set via video conference, you may access the court's zoom room link on your date and time by clicking here: https://hccocm.zoom.us/my/hccivil02; dial in information (346)248-7799 ID 308 063 0152

Cases set on the submission and entry dockets will still be ruled on; make sure documents are timely filed.

For immediate assistance, please call the Clerk at 713-274-1349.

Thank you and stay well,

Grace Cantada

Trial Court Coordinator

County Civil Court at Law No.2

JUDGE JIM F. KOVACH, Presiding

201 Caroline Street

Houston, TX 77002

Court 2 Website: http://www.ccl.hctx.net/civil/2/default.htm

County Clerk Website: https://www.cclerk.hctx.net



## Case Number 1092834

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Tue, Jun 15, 2021 at 9:46 PM

To: Jim\_Kovach@ccl.hctx.net, James\_Kovach@ccl.hctx.net

Pursuant to Rule 12.2(e)(2) you are the custodian of records in the above case. Pursuant to 12.6(a), I am requesting a copy of any documents included in the case file or docket that were not filed or submitted by