

NO. \_\_\_\_\_

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
FOR THE BEST INTEREST  
AND PROTECTION OF:

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF  
\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, TEXAS

DATE OF BIRTH:

**JUDGMENT NON-JURY TRIAL FOR COURT ORDERED  
EXTENDED OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

On \_\_\_\_\_ the Application for Court-Ordered Extended Mental Health Services in the above-numbered and entitled cause came on to be heard before the undersigned, duly appointed Judge, alleging that \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter called Patient, is mentally ill; the nature of the mental illness is severe and persistent; as a result of that mental illness, the proposed patient will, if not treated, continue to: suffer severe and abnormal mental, emotional or physical distress and experience deterioration of the ability to function independently to the extent that the proposed patient will be unable to live safely in the community without court-ordered outpatient services; and the proposed patient has an inability to participate in outpatient treatment services effectively and voluntarily demonstrated by any of the proposed patient's actions occurring within the two-year period which immediately precedes the hearing OR specific characteristics of the proposed patient's clinical condition that make impossible a rational and informed decision whether to submit to voluntary outpatient treatment. It is further alleged that Patient's condition is expected to continue for more than ninety (90) days and the Patient has received either: (1) court-ordered inpatient mental health services under Subtitle C or under Subchapter D or E, Health and Safety Code, or pursuant to Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure, for a total of at least sixty (60) days during the preceding 12 months; or (2) court-ordered outpatient mental health services under Subtitle C or under Subchapter D or E, Health and Safety Code, or pursuant to Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure, during the preceding sixty (60) days. No jury having been demanded and the Attorney for the State and \_\_\_\_\_, attorney for the Patient, having announced ready, all matters of law and of fact were submitted to the Court.

The Court finds that all necessary parties have been served with a copy of said application and written notice of the time and place of this hearing. It further appears to the Court that \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, both of whom are duly licensed to practice medicine in the State of Texas, have timely filed in this cause Certificates of Medical Examination for Mental Illness stating that the Patient is mentally ill and that said

Certificates are in compliance with the Texas Health & Safety Code.

The Court further finds that the local mental health authority, has filed its recommendation for treatment pursuant to V.T.C.A., Health & Safety Code §574.012 , and which is incorporated herein, as if fully set forth.

The Court finds that all terms and provisions of the Texas Health & Safety Code have been complied with; and after considering all of the evidence and testimony, as well as the Certificates filed herein, the Court finds that the facts alleged in the Application of the State are true and correct.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, DECREED AND FOUND, that:

1. Appropriate mental health services are available for the patient; and
2. The proposed patient is mentally ill;
3. The nature of the mental illness is severe and persistent;
4. As a result of the mental illness, the proposed patient will, if not treated, continue to:
  - a. Suffer severe and abnormal mental, emotional, or physical distress; and
  - b. Experience deterioration of the ability to function independently to the extent that the proposed patient will be unable to live safely in the community without court-ordered outpatient services; and
5. The proposed patient has an inability to participate in outpatient treatment services effectively and voluntarily, demonstrated by: any of the proposed patient's actions occurring within the two-year period which immediately precedes the hearing OR specific characteristics of the proposed patient's clinical condition that make impossible a rational and informed decision whether to submit to voluntary outpatient treatment. .

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, DECREED AND FOUND that:

1. The Patient's condition is expected to continue for more than ninety (90) days; and
2. The Patient has received either:
  - a. Court-ordered inpatient-mental health services under Subtitle C or under Subchapter D or E, Health and Safety Code, or pursuant to Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure, for a total of at least sixty (60) days during the preceding 12 months; OR
  - b. Court-ordered outpatient mental health services under Subtitle C or under Subchapter D or E, Health and Safety Code, or pursuant to Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure, during the preceding sixty (60) days.

**NOTICE TO PATIENT**

- 1. You are now no longer eligible under Federal Law to possess a firearm or ammunition.**
- 2. If you possess a firearm or ammunition, it could lead to federal criminal charges being filed against you.**

**If you have questions about how long you will be ineligible to possess a firearm or ammunition, you should consult an attorney.**

The Court finds that Court-Ordered Extended Mental Health Services for the Patient shall be on an outpatient basis for a period of time not to exceed twelve (12) months. It is further ORDERED that the Patient shall submit to treatment as recommended by the local mental health authority.

The Clerk of this Court is further ordered to prepare a certified transcript of the proceeding and with any available information concerning the medical, social and economic status and history of the Patient and his family and send it to that facility's personnel in charge of admission.

It is further ORDERED that the Patient submit to treatment as recommended by the local mental health authority that, in the event Patient should fail to comply with outpatient treatment and/or medication, a representative of the local mental health authority shall contact the County Attorney's office, who shall prepare an order for the apprehension and detention of the Patient, who shall submit to in-patient treatment as recommended by the local mental health authority for the balance of the twelve (12) month period herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that \_\_\_\_\_, Attorney, appointed by the Court to represent Patient be and is hereby allowed the reasonable compensation of \$80.00 for attorney fees in this case. Said compensation shall be taxed as costs.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be presented to the Patient's caseworker, rehabilitation worker and psychiatrist. In this regard, the Patient is ORDERED to attend status/compliance hearings on the following dates and times: \_\_\_\_\_. The purpose of the hearings is to monitor the patient's compliance with the treatment plan.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that while this order for Court-Ordered Extended Mental Health Services remains in effect, the Patient's psychoactive medication and dosage shall not be changed or altered without the approval of the Court unless there is a medical emergency threatening the patient's health.**

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should a change in the Patient's psychoactive medications be sought or contemplated, the Patient's treating psychiatrist shall contact the**

**County Attorney to arrange for a status hearing with the Court.**

Signed on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 202\_.

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**Presiding Judge**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM &  
SUBSTANCE**

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**Attorney**