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## **Aransas County Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1**

### **County Court Mission Statement**

To impartially administer justice in a fair and efficient manner, so that trust and accountability are exemplified to the public that we serve.

### **County Court Vision**

The mission of the Aransas County Justice of the Peace Court is to provide a fair and effective process for the citizens who are charged with violations of state law and/or county ordinances.

### **Contacts & Locations**

We are located at 2840 Hwy 35 N, Room 121, on the North side of Harbor Oaks Shopping Center in Rockport, TX, 78382.

For general court information & collections information, please call 361-790-0130 or visit [www.aransascountytx.gov/jp1](http://www.aransascountytx.gov/jp1).

### **Ways to Enter a Plea or Request a Court Date**

To obtain a plea form, visit [www.aransascountytx.gov/jp1](http://www.aransascountytx.gov/jp1). Under "**Forms**", select the "**Criminal**" tab and click on "**Plea Entry Form**". Complete the Plea Entry form and submit using one of the below options:

#### **By Email:**

[Jp1@aransascounty.org](mailto:Jp1@aransascounty.org)

#### **By Fax:**

361-790-5402

#### **In person at:**

2840 HWY 35 N, Room 121, Rockport, Texas, 78382

\*\*Dropbox is located on north end of parking lot, next to Aransas County Sheriff's car. The box is black and silver. Be sure to put in a sealed envelope and include your name.

#### **Electronic signature (If unable to print a form):**

If you do not have access to a printer or scanner, the office can email you a form for an electronic signature. Call 361-790-0130 for more information

**VERBAL PLEAS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**



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## How to pay a citation:

### Payment Arrangements

If you cannot afford to pay a citation in full, you may be eligible for one of the following:

- Payment Plan
- Deferred Disposition
- Defensive Driving Course
- Community service

You must contact the Court at 361-790-0130 or [jp1@aransascounty.org](mailto:jp1@aransascounty.org) to determine eligibility **prior** to a making a payment, or you can visit [www.aransascountytx.gov/jp1](http://www.aransascountytx.gov/jp1) for additional options.

### **Online Payment Instructions for Traffic Fines/Payment Plans/Civil Fees:**

**Criminal-** You will need to know either your *ticket number*, *citation number*, or *case number* and the *amount you wish to pay*. This is needed for all online payments.

\*Please be advised that it will take at least **24 hours** for our office to receive your payment. Please **send a copy of your receipt** confirmation to our office at [jp2@aransascounty.org](mailto:jp2@aransascounty.org).

\*\*There will be a **\$5.95 fee** added to your payment to cover the third-party processing fee.

### Follow the steps below for online payments:

- Go to [www.officialpayments.com](http://www.officialpayments.com)
- Select "**Local Payments**" as your payment option.
- Enter Jurisdiction Code **6595** and then select "**Make a Payment**." The page will refresh.
- Select "**Citations**" as your payment type under the third tab. Click on "**Make a Payment**."
- Enter amount being paid and select your card type (debit or credit). Select "**Continue**."
- **Accept** Agreement.
- At this point, you can either choose to "**Create an Account**" for future use, or "**Continue as Guest**" for a one-time payment.
- Fill in all blanks.
  - When filling in the blanks with First and Last name, you will need to enter the name of the **Defendant**.
  - When filling out the Address, Town/City, State, Zip Code, Phone Number, & E-mail Address, **THIS WILL BE THE CARDHOLDER INFORMATION**.
  - If paying a **criminal fee**, you will enter either your *ticket number*, *citation number*, or *case number* in the blank provided at this point.
- Enter your card number and expiration date (matches address, phone number, and e-mail entered above.)
- Verify all entered information and select "**Continue**."
- Print or Save a copy of your confirmation receipt for your records.
- E-mail a copy of your receipt to [JP1@aransascounty.org](mailto:JP1@aransascounty.org).

### **Mailing In Payments:**

Payments can be made via **cashier's check** or **money order** and mailed to our office. Make payable to **JP1**. All money order and cashier's checks shall include your signature on the front and phone number. Be sure to keep your receipt.

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\*\*Be sure to sign your cashier's check or money order before mailing! DO NOT SIGN THE BACK! \*\*

### **Mail to:**

701 East Mimosa Street "Public Library"  
Room 125  
Rockport, TX 78382

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JP1@ARANSASCOUNTY.ORG  
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ROCKPORT, TX 78382  
PHONE (361)790-0130  
FAX (361)790-5402

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**Payment Drop-offs:**

Payments can be made via cashier's check or money order and dropped off **IN AN ENCLOSED ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO JP1** in the drobox at the Aransas County Courthouse. Make payable to **JP1**. All money order and cashier's checks shall include your signature on the front and phone number. Be sure to keep your receipt.

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