TO:

Defense Bar for the 90th Judicial District Court

FROM:

Hon. Phillip Gregory, District Judge

DATE:

November 10, 2023

RE:

Electronic Attorney/Client Conferences for Inmates

I am pleased to announce the availability of Zoom conferences with inmates for both the Young County Detention Center and the Stephens County Detention Center beginning immediately. The purpose of this availability is to facilitate attorney/client conferences with those who find themselves unable to bail out. Additionally, it is my hope that the availability of this conferencing option enables out-ot-town attorneys to speak with their clients without spending at least half a day driving.

The conferencing option will require the attorney wishing to speak to their client to schedule a conference time with the detention center the client is being held in. At the scheduled time, the jail staff will move that client to a private conference room and send the Zoom conference invitation. The length of these conferences will be one hour and may be scheduled to occur during the regular Monday through Friday business hours of 0800 to 1700. The option to confer electronically with clients is also available during weekend hours but are subject to limitations due to staff availability. Please note that if you schedule a Zoom conference and fail to respond to the invitation in a reasonable time, the conference will be cancelled and further Zoom usage will be subject to either Sheriff Roach's or Sheriff Babcock's approval.

Your contacts to schedule the Zoom conferences are as follows:

Young County Detention Center: (940) 549-4512:

Captain Beverly Davidson or Corporal Tammy Brooks

Stephens County Detention Center (254) 559-2705:

Jail Administrator Samantha Pedroza

Lastly, the Zoom option is meant to augment not replace face-to-face interactions.

Please let me know if there are any issues getting these conferences facilitated.

Phillip Hagy