

## Changes made to District and County Reporting Instructions

### Civil and Family Sections

Added instructions for **Cases Reactivated** and **All Other Cases Added** to clarify that cases that have been previously disposed of should not be counted as **Reactivated** but should be counted as a reopened case under **All Other Cases Added**. Only cases that have been placed in an inactive status should be counted as reactivated when an event puts the case back on the active docket. (May 2009)

Clarified that a civil or family case with including multiple causes of action should be counted as only 1 case. (September 2009)

### Criminal Section:

Added clarification that the case should be reactivated on the date of the defendant's first hearing. (March 2009)

Added clarification about which case category motions to revoke should be reported in: (May 2009)

*If possible, report the motion under the case category for which the defendant was ultimately found guilty or placed on probation, community supervision, or deferred adjudication.*

Added clarification that pre-trial diversion program should be reported in the same manner that deferred adjudications are reported (June 2009).

Added new offenses July 2009:

DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID			
Previous conviction / suspension	TRC 521.457	MB	DWLS/DWLI
And operating vehicle in violation of motor vehicle liability requirement	TRC 521.457	MB	DWLS/DWLI
And caused/was at fault in accident resulting in serious bodily injury or death of another person	TRC 521.457	MA	DWLS/DWLI
CREDIT CARD OR DEBIT CARD ABUSE	32.31	FS	
Theft			
Committed against elderly individual	32.31	F3	
Theft			

Added to district criminal case category definition for Drug Sale/Manufacture (July 2009):

Ch. 482, Health and Safety Code (Simulated Controlled Substances) and Ch. 485, Health and Safety Code (Abusable Volatile Chemicals)

### **Juvenile Section:**

Added clarification that the case should be reactivated on the date of the defendant's first hearing. (March 2009)

Deleted "*These reopened cases are reported under the same offense reported when the original petition was filed.*" in instruction for **Line 4: Motions To Modify, Enforce or Proceed Filed**. This was inconsistent with the instructions for the Criminal section. (May 2009)

Corrected Line number referred to in the instruction below:

### **Line 8. TOTAL CASES ADJUDICATED**

Report the total number of cases adjudicated or motions heard during the month. The figures reported on this line should be the same as the Total Cases Adjudicated entered on Line 19 of the Adjudication Section.

### **Probate Section:**

Added clarification to instruction for **Line 6b: Guardianships Granted:** (May 2009)

**NOTE:** If an application for temporary guardianship is granted during the month, then an application for permanent guardianship is also granted during the same month, the case should be reported twice. The closing of the temporary guardianship should also be reported in the **Closed** category.