

APPEALS

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL

Pursuant to *Article 45.037 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure*, any motion for a new trial in a municipal or justice Court must be made within **one (1) day** after the judgment is entered. The motion must be made in writing and filed before 5:00 p.m. on the next business day following the trial.

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An appeal taken from the Forest Hill Municipal Court of Record will be based on error reflected in the record (transcript of the hearing) and will not be a new trial. See *Article 45.042(b) of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure*. Therefore, the defendant will also be responsible for the \$25.00 Clerk Transcript and the cost of preparing a Court transcript of the trial to forward to the appellate Court. The amount of the transcript will depend on the length of the trial, the evidence presented, etc. The average cost of a municipal Court trial transcript is \$200-\$500.

If the appeal bond is not timely filed, the appellate Court does not gain jurisdiction of the case. See the Code of Criminal Procedure for more information on appeals.