**CAUSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

IN THE MATTER OF § IN THE TRUANCY COURT

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**STATE’S ORIGINAL PETITION FOR ADJUDICATION OF A**

**CHILD FOR TRUANT CONDUCT**

The State of Texas (“Petitioner”), upon information and belief, presents to the court that, in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (“Respondent”) engaged in truant conduct as described below.

**ALLEGED TRUANT CONDUCT:**

Petitioner alleges that, in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, Respondent failed to attend school as required by Education Code § 25.085 on 10 or more days or parts of days within a six-month period in the same school year, specifically: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The absences occurred during the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ school year.

**PARTIES**

Respondent is a child at least 12 years or older and younger than 19 years at the time of the alleged truant conduct, whose date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Respondent’s address is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.**

Respondent’s parent, guardian, or custodian is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, whose address is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Petitioner believes the information in this petition to be true to the best of their knowledge.

**VENUE**

🞏 Respondent is or was enrolled in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas at the time of the alleged truant conduct. Venue is proper in this county under Family Code § 65.006.

🞏 Respondent lives in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas. Venue is proper in this county under Family Code § 65.006.

**CERTIFICATION BY SCHOOL UNDER EDUCATION CODE § 25.0915(b)**

Before this Petition was filed, the referring school certified that the school applied the truancy prevention measures adopted under Education Code § 25.0915(a) or (a-4) to Respondent, that those truancy prevention measures did not meaningfully address Respondent’s school attendance, and that the school stated whether Respondent is eligible for or receives special education services under Education Code Chapter 29, Subchapter A (see Exhibit “A” attached).

**LIMITATIONS PERIOD**

Petitioner has filed this Petition in the truancy court within 45 days of the last absence contributing to the truant conduct.

**PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

Petitioner asks that an adjudication hearing be set no earlier than the 11th day from the date this Petition is filed, and that a summons be issued for Respondent and Respondent’s parent, guardian, or custodian named above. Upon conclusion of the adjudication hearing, Petitioner asks that the court enter a judgment finding Respondent engaged in truant conduct and order appropriate remedial actions under Family Code § 65.103.

Respectfully submitted,

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Truant Conduct Prosecutor

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

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