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# NEWS ADVISORY

## JUDGE EMMETT AND COURT OFFICIALS TO PROVIDE UPDATE ON REPAIRS, PHASED REOPENING OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER

**WHO:** Harris County Judge Ed Emmett  
District Judge Vanessa Velasquez, Administrative Judge of Criminal Division  
Assistant County Engineer Loyd Smith

**WHAT:** News Conference

**WHEN:** 10:15 a.m., Friday, May 18, 2018

**WHERE:** Main Lobby – First Floor  
Criminal Justice Center  
1201 Franklin  
Houston, TX 77002

Harris County Judge Ed Emmett and District Judge Vanessa Velasquez will announce a major update on Harris County's progress towards reopening the Criminal Justice Center, the county's primary criminal courthouse, during a news conference Friday morning. The media will be briefed on the timetable for expected courtroom reopenings and will be allowed access to some repaired courtrooms.