## CIVIL APPEAL PROCESS

Forcible Detainer – must be filed 5 days from the date of Judgment

Small Claims – must be filed 21 days from the date of Judgment

Debt Claims – must be filed 21 days from the date of Judgment

The days are counted as running days; if the last day for filing the appeal bond falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday; the bond may be filed on the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday (the next working day) will be the deadline.

Within the 5 and 21 day period the process is as follows:

- 1. The **DEFENDANT** must post an **APPEAL BOND** double the amount of the Judgment. If the amount of judgment was not for any money the appeal bond must be for the amount that was originally asked for.
  - The **PLAINTIFF** must post an **APPEAL BOND** in the amount of \$500.
- 2. A \$64.00 filing fee must be made payable to: Justice Court, Pct. 6.
- 3. The APPEAL BOND has to have (2) two sureties'. The APPEAL BOND must be signed by both the sureties'. All information must be typed or printed neatly; otherwise the appeal bond will be rejected.