

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

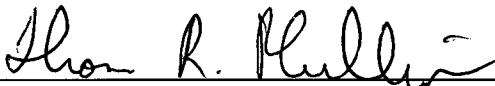
Misc. Docket No. 00- 9012


ORDER APPROVING LOCAL RULES GOVERNING ASSIGNMENT OF PARENTAL NOTIFICATION APPLICATIONS IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GALVESTON COUNTY

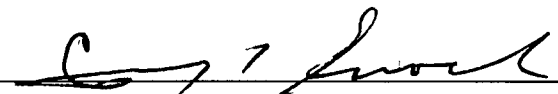
ORDERED that:

1. Pursuant to Rule 3a of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, the following amendment to the Local Rules for the Probate Court of Galveston County, Texas, is approved. This amendment concerns the assignment of applications for waiver of parental notification under Chapter 33, Texas Family Code.
2. In view of the urgency that procedures be adopted for handling applications under Chapter 33, Family Code, the requirement of Rule 3a(4) is suspended, and this amendment may take effect immediately.


BY THE COURT, IN CHAMBERS this 11th day of January, 2000.



Thomas R. Phillips, Chief Justice

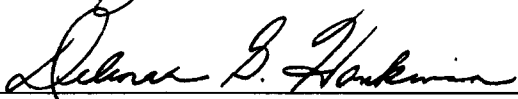

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**AMENDMENT TO LOCAL RULES FOR THE
PROBATE COURT OF GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS**

Rule 2.1A

When an Application for Waiver of Parental Notification before Abortion is presented to the County Clerk or District Clerk by a minor, the respective Clerks shall file and docket every eighth (8th) application in the Probate Court of Galveston County.

STATEMENT ADOPTING AMENDMENT TO LOCAL RULES

The Statutory Probate Judge of Galveston County adopts the attached proposed amendment to the local rules and supports its submission to the Texas Supreme Court for approval.

Signed January 6, 2000.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gladys B. Burwell". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

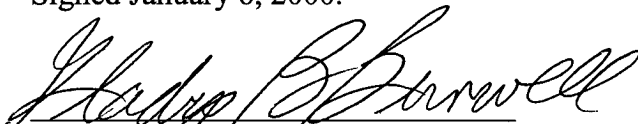
Gladys B. Burwell, Presiding Judge
Galveston County Probate Court

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the Statutory Probate Court of Galveston County has complied with the following:

1. that the amendment to the rules is inconsistent with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure or any Rules of the Statutory Probate Courts of Texas;
2. that no time period provided by the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure has been altered by the amendment to the local rules;
3. that the proposed amendment to the local rules shall not become effective until it is submitted and approved by the Supreme Court of Texas;
4. that the proposed amendment to the local rules has not been published and that a necessity exists for an immediate adoption of the proposed amendment to comply with Rule 2.1(b)(3) of the Texas Parental Notification Rules and Forms (effective date January 1, 2000) and that it will be brought to the attention of attorneys and parties practicing before the Court immediately.
5. that all local rules or amendments adopted and approved in accordance herewith will be made available upon request to members of the bar; and
6. that no local rule, order, or practice of any court, other than local rules and amendments which fully comply with all requirements of this Rule 3a, will ever be applied to determine the merits of a matter.

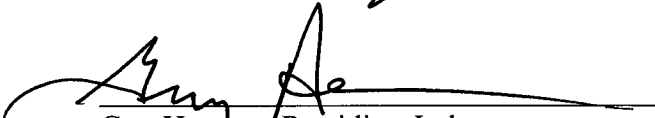
Signed January 6, 2000.


Gladys B. Burwell, Presiding Judge
Probate Court of Galveston County

CERTIFICATION

The Undersigned certifies that the Amendment adding Rule 2.1A to the Statutory Probate Court Local Rules of Galveston County which is being submitted to you on behalf of the Statutory Probate Court of Galveston County is approved by myself in my role as Presiding Judge of the Statutory Probate Courts of Texas.

SIGNED January 10, 2000.


Guy Herman, Presiding Judge
Statutory Probate Courts of Texas



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January 20, 2000

Hon. Gladys B. Burwell.
Galveston County Probate Court
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Dear Judge Burwell,

Please find enclosed, a copy of the order of the Supreme Court that approved local rules for your court.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

John T. Adams
Clerk

Encl.

cc: Hon. Olen Underwood
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