

**ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS**


**Misc. Docket No. 99-9037**

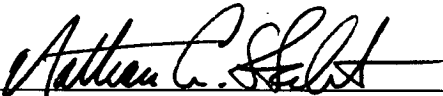
**Approval of Amendment to Rule 2 of  
Nueces County Local Rules**

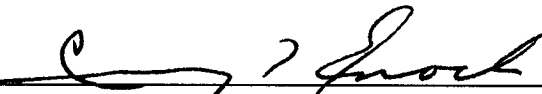
**IT IS ORDERED** that:

Pursuant to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 3a, the Supreme Court of Texas approves the attached amendments to Rule 2 of the Local Rules of Administration of Nueces County, which concern the assignment of cases in the District Courts of Nueces County, Texas. The approval of these rules is temporary pending further orders of the Court.

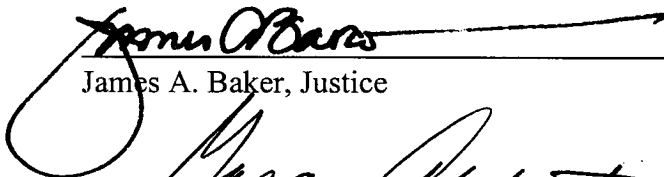
By the Court, en banc, in chambers, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1999.

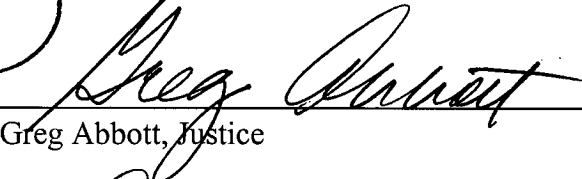
  
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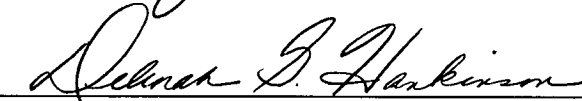
  
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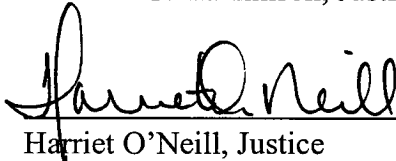
  
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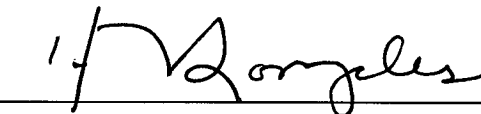
  
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Greg Abbott, Justice

  
Deborah G. Hankinson, Justice

  
Harriet O'Neill, Justice

  
Alberto R. Gonzales, Justice

**IN THE DISTRICT COURTS  
OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS**

Misc. Order No. 99-\_\_\_\_\_

**ORDER AMENDING RULE 2 OF THE  
NUECES COUNTY LOCAL RULES**

At a duly convened meeting of the Local Council of District Judges of Nueces County, Texas held on January 21, 1999, said Council adopted the following amendment to Rule 2 of the Local Rules of Administration of Nueces County providing for the assignment of cases in the District Courts of Nueces County, as follows:

Section 1. Rule 2 is amended to read as follows:

**"RULE 2: ASSIGNMENT OF CASES:**

**DISTRICT COURTS:**

**(A) (1) Non-Family Civil Cases**

- (a) The District Clerk shall randomly assign all non-family civil cases filed on or after January 1, 1999, in the District Courts in the following proportions: Seven forty-fifths ( $7/45^{\text{th}}$ ) to each of the 28<sup>th</sup>, 94<sup>th</sup>, 319<sup>th</sup>, 148<sup>th</sup>, 214<sup>th</sup> and 347<sup>th</sup> District Court; three forty-fifths ( $3/45^{\text{th}}$ ) to the 105<sup>th</sup> District Court; and zero (0) to the 117<sup>th</sup> District Court.
- (b) The District Clerk shall reassign non-family civil cases from the 117<sup>th</sup> District Court to the District Courts in the following proportions: one-sixth ( $1/6^{\text{th}}$ ) to the 28<sup>th</sup>, 94<sup>th</sup>, 319<sup>th</sup>, 148<sup>th</sup>, 214<sup>th</sup> and 347<sup>th</sup> District Courts.

**(2) Family Civil Cases**

The District Court family civil cases shall be assigned by the District Clerk at random in the following proportions: two-fifteenths (2/15<sup>th</sup>) to each of the 28<sup>th</sup>, 94<sup>th</sup>, 117<sup>th</sup>, 319<sup>th</sup>, 148<sup>th</sup>, 214<sup>th</sup> and 347<sup>th</sup>; and one-fifteenth (1/15<sup>th</sup>) to the 105<sup>th</sup> District Court.

**(B) Criminal Cases**

- (1) The District Clerk shall randomly assign all criminal cases filed on or after January 1, 1999, in the District Courts the following proportions: seven forty-eighths (7/48<sup>th</sup>) to each of the 28<sup>th</sup>, 94<sup>th</sup>, 319<sup>th</sup>, 148<sup>th</sup>, 214<sup>th</sup> and 347<sup>th</sup> District Courts; six forty-eighths (6/48) to the 105<sup>th</sup> District Court; and zero (0) to the 117<sup>th</sup> District Court.
- (2) The District Clerk shall randomly reassign all criminal cases pending in the 117<sup>th</sup> District Court in the following proportions: one-sixth (1/6<sup>th</sup>) to the 28<sup>th</sup>, 94<sup>th</sup>, 319<sup>th</sup>, 148<sup>th</sup>, 214<sup>th</sup> and 347<sup>th</sup> District Courts.

**(C) Juvenile Cases**

The 117<sup>th</sup> District Court shall hear all juvenile cases pending on or filed after January 1, 1999.

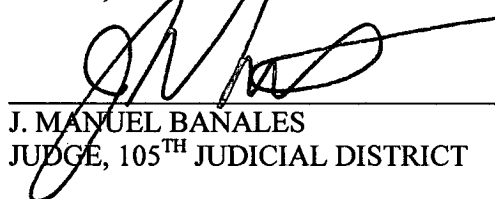
Section 2. This Order is effective upon approval of the Supreme Court.

Signed on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1999, by the Council of District Judges of Nueces County,

Texas.



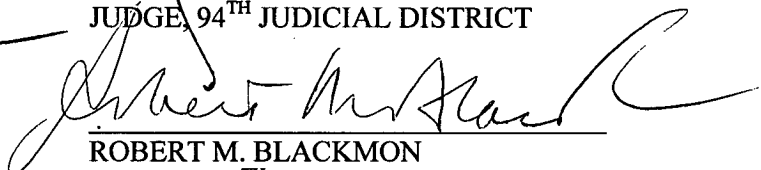
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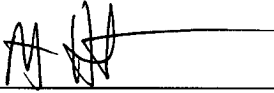


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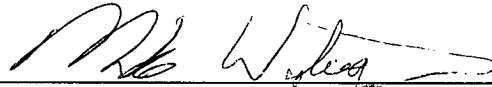
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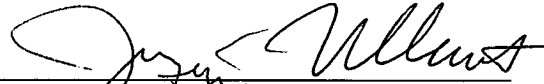
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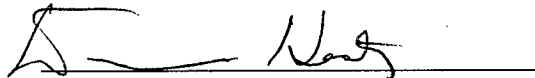
**IN THE FIFTH ADMINISTRATIVE  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

**ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT**

A proposed amendment of Rule 2 of the Nueces County Local Rules having been submitted to me, as the Presiding Judge of the Fifth Administrative Judicial Region:

Such amendment having been approved by the Council of District Judges of Nueces County on January 28, 1999, should be, and it is hereby, approved.

Signed for entry this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1999.



Judge Presiding for the Fifth  
Administrative Judicial Region



## THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

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March 9, 1999

Hon. Rose Vela  
Admin. Judge and Judge  
148th District Court  
901 Leopard, Suite 903  
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Dear Judge Pate,

Please find enclosed, a copy of the order of the Supreme Court that approved amendments to Rule 2 of the Local Rules for Administration of Nueces County.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

John T. Adams  
Clerk

Encl.

cc: Hon. Darrell Hester  
5th Admin Judicial Rgn

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