

# **Before the Presiding Judges of the Administrative Judicial Regions**

## **Per Curiam Rule 12 Decision**

**APPEAL NO.:** 15-011

**RESPONDENT:** Mark Atkinson, Executive Director, Texas Center for the Judiciary

**DATE:** October 13, 2015

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE:** Judge Stephen B. Ables, Chairman; Judge Mary Murphy; Judge Olen Underwood; Judge Dean Rucker; Judge Kelly G. Moore

Petitioner requested from the Texas Center for the Judiciary (“Texas Center”) information regarding the judicial education requirements and courses taken by some of the judges in Bexar County. Petitioner asserts that the Texas Center did not reply to his request and has filed this appeal.

The Texas Center is a private non-profit corporation that provides continuing legal education services to the judiciary under a Judicial and Court Personnel Training Fund grant administered by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 56.003(e). The special committee in Rule 12 Decision No. 05-001 decided that the Texas Center is not a judicial agency within the meaning of Rule 12.

Accordingly, this committee can neither grant the petition in whole or in part nor sustain the denial of access to the requested records.