

# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 20-9048

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## TRANSFER OF CASES FROM COURTS OF APPEALS

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### **ORDERED:**

#### I.

Except as otherwise provided by this Order, the first 20 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Second Court of Appeals District, Fort Worth, Texas, on or after March 10, 2020, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Fourteenth Court of Appeals District, Houston, Texas.

#### II.

Except as otherwise provided by this Order, the first 25 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Third Court of Appeals District, Austin, Texas, on or after March 10, 2020, are transferred to the First Court of Appeals District, Houston, Texas; the next 20 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Third Court of Appeals District, Austin, Texas are transferred to the Fourteenth Court of Appeals District, Houston, Texas; the next 20 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Third Court of Appeals District, Austin, Texas are transferred to the Seventh Court of Appeals for the Court of Appeals District, Amarillo, Texas, and the next 20 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Third Court of Appeals District, Austin, Texas are transferred to the Eighth Court of Appeals for the Court of Appeals District, El Paso, Texas.

#### III.

Except as otherwise provided by this Order, the first 22 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Fourth Court of Appeals District, San Antonio, Texas, on or after March 12, 2020, are transferred to the Thirteenth Court of Appeals District, Corpus Christi, Texas.

#### IV.

Except as otherwise provided by this Order, the first 11 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Fifth Court of Appeals District, Dallas, Texas, on or after March 16, 2020, are transferred to the Ninth Court of Appeals District, Beaumont, Texas.

#### V.

Except as otherwise provided by this Order, the first 20 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco, Texas, on or after March 12, 2020, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Seventh Court of Appeals District, Amarillo, Texas, and the next

22 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Tenth Court of Appeals District, Waco, Texas, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Thirteenth Court of Appeals District, Corpus Christi, Texas.

## VI.

Except as otherwise provided by this Order, the first 15 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Court of Appeals District, Eastland, Texas, on or after March 16, 2020, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Eighth Court of Appeals District, El Paso, Texas.

## VII.

Except as otherwise provided by this Order, the first 11 cases filed in the Court of Appeals for the Twelfth Court of Appeals District, Tyler, Texas, on or after March 12, 2020, are transferred to the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Court of Appeals District, Texarkana, Texas.

For purposes of determining the effective date of transfers pursuant to this order, “filed” in a court of appeals means the receipt of notice of appeal by the court of appeals.

In effectuating this Order, companion cases shall either all be transferred, or shall all be retained by the Court in which filed, as determined by the Chief Justice of the transferring Court, provided that cases which are companions to any case filed before the respective operative dates of transfer specified above, shall be retained by the Court in which originally filed.

It is specifically provided that the cases ordered transferred by this Order shall, in each instance, not include original proceedings; appeals in cases involving termination of parental rights; and those cases that, in the opinion of the Chief Justice of the transferring court, contain extraordinary circumstances or circumstances indicating that emergency action may be required.

The transferring Court of Appeals will make the necessary orders for transfer of the cases as directed hereby, and will cause the Clerk of that Court to transfer the appellate record in each case, and certify all orders made, to the court of appeals to which the cases are transferred. When a block of cases is transferred, the transferring court will implement the transfer of the case files in groups not less than once a month, or after all the requisite number of cases have been filed. Upon completion of the transfer of the requisite number of cases ordered transferred, the transferring Court shall submit a list of the cases transferred, identified by style and number, to the State Office of Court Administration, and shall immediately notify the parties or their attorneys in the cases transferred of the transfer and the court to which transferred.

The provisions of Misc. Docket Order No. 06-9136 shall apply except those regarding the types of cases subject to transfer that are specifically addressed above.

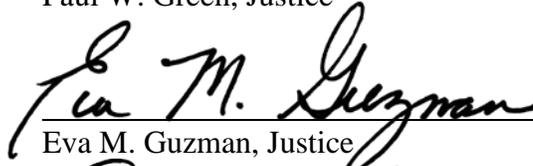
SO ORDERED this 31st day of March, 2020.



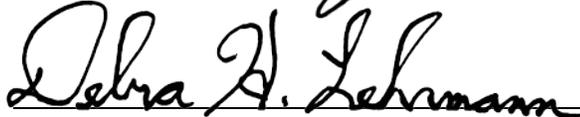
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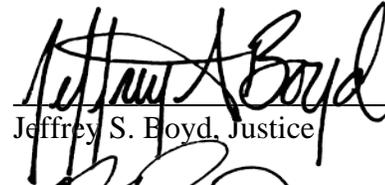
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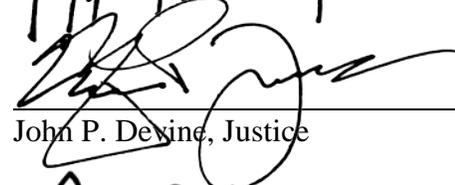
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Debra H. Lehrmann, Justice



Jeffrey S. Boyd, Justice



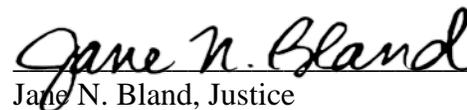
John P. Devine, Justice



James D. Blacklock, Justice



J. Brett Busby, Justice



Jane N. Bland, Justice