## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 12 **9104** 

## ORDER REGARDING DISTRIBUTION OF STATE BAR OF TEXAS FEES

Texas Government Code § 81.054(c) requires that State Bar of Texas membership fees and other fees be paid to the Clerk of the Supreme Court. The statute requires the Clerk to: (1) retain legal services fees collected under § 81.054(j) until the Supreme Court orders that the legal services fees be remitted to the Comptroller, at least as frequently as quarterly; and (2) retain all other fees until distributed to the State Bar for expenditure under the direction of the Supreme Court.

In addition, Texas Tax Code § 191.1431 requires the Supreme Court to administer the collection of taxes imposed on attorneys licensed to practice law in Texas. Under § 191.145, the Supreme Court must forward these taxes to the state for deposit.

Pursuant to these statutes, the Supreme Court orders the Clerk or such person as is designated by the Clerk to:

- (1) remit to the Comptroller on a monthly basis all but \$1,000 of the legal services fees collected;
- (2) remit to the Comptroller on a monthly basis all but \$1,000 of the occupation taxes collected; and
- (3) transfer to the State Bar of Texas on a daily basis all but \$2,000 of the membership fees collected.

SIGNED this 19th day of June, 2012.

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