IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 95 - **9136**

ORDER OF THE COURT APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDARDS FOR CERTIFICATION IN CIVIL APPELLATE LAW OF THE TEXAS BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION

WHEREAS, the Texas Board of Legal Specialization have caused to be published Standards for Certification in Civil Appellate Law, and

WHEREAS, those amendments to those aforementioned Standards were accepted and approved by the members of the Texas Board of Legal Specialization on January 28, 1995, and presented to this Court, and

WHEREAS, it appears to this Court that said Standards will advance the administration of justice,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Court that the aforementioned amendments to the Standards be adopted and that the Standards for Certification in Civil Appellate

Law be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND DEFINITIONS

G. Civil appellate law is the practice of law involving proceedings brought before a civil appellate court either by appeal of a final judgment of appealable interlocutory order or by an original proceeding in the appellate court. The practice of civil appellate law which qualifies for certification for substantial involvement and special competence should generally cover multiple areas of procedure and substantive law and not be limited to any one, narrow area of law (unless substantial involvement and special competence can otherwise be shown.) Serving as a judge on a civil appellate court is also considered the practice of civil appellate law. For these purposes "civil appellate courts" include the United States Supreme Court, the Federal Court of Appeals, the Texas Supreme Court, the Texas Court of Appeals, and comparable courts of other jurisdictions. The preparation and presentation of the court's charge and of post-trial and other dispositive

motions at the trial court level shall also be considered the practice of civil appellate law. For the specific requirements in this area please refer to Section II(B).

Signed and entered	this <u>14 Th</u>	_day of	Tune	, 1995.
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